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Bethel could benefit from nonprofits tax

BY ALISON ALOISIO

Under Gov. Paul LePage's current budget proposal, some nonprofit organizations with property worth more than \$500,000 would be subject to taxes at half the mil rate charged in the municipality in which they are located.

The revenue is intended to help make up for the potential loss of state revenue-sharing, which the governor's proposed budget would eliminate.

In Bethel, that could happen - in fact, the town could come out ahead, thanks primarily to Gould Academy.

According to the governor's proposal (which could change), the first \$500,000 worth of a nonprofit's total assessed value is subtracted, and the amount over that is taxed at half the rate.

Bethel town records show the total value of Gould property that would be subject to taxation, should the governor's proposal be approved, is \$17,352,000. (That figure is as of last April, and could also be subject to change.) Using the figure with half the mil rate - .00625 - the estimated taxes owed would be \$108,450, according to the town.

Several other nonprofits that could be subject to tax include the Bethel Historical Society, with \$151,900 of eligible value

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RUGRATS ON HOT CHOCOLATE BREAK-The longtime Rugrats Ski/Snowboard Program, which puts SAD 44 kids on the slopes at Sunday River Resort, is still going strong. Here, a group of Crescent Park Elementary School fourth-graders warm up with some hot chocolate. Pictured are, front: Odessa Files, Chelsea Duclos, Coy Smith. Back: Corinne Nivus, teacher Renee Charette. For more SAD 44 school activities, see the Satellite on Page 9. Submitted photo

Bethel to put sewer billing update on hold

BY ALISON ALOISIO

Bethel selectmen said Monday they plan to suspend updates the town has made recently to its sewer billing system, following complaints from affected customers.

Last year selectmen had decided to extend the billing to individual dwelling units in properties such as older apartment buildings, which had not yet been billed in compliance with town ordinance and were therefore billed by the single property. They said that units constructed more recently are billed according to the ordinance, and the updates were needed to be fair.

But then they heard from apartment house owners and business renters who said their bills were increasing by multiple times. Some noted they had made business decisions to buy properties in the past based on the rates then, and should therefore be grandfathered.

Selectman Don Bennett said Monday the ordinance's definition of a dwelling unit is "perhaps not the best definition that could be used."

"We as a board feel we do

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Area artists in Lewiston show

BY AMY CHAPMAN

Wendy Hutchins of Andover says that when she enrolled in an Art 101 class in January of 2012, she "didn't set out to produce art to actually frame and hang on the wall."

Instead, Hutchins was fulfilling a departmental course requirement, on her way to earning an associate's degree in order to work as a school tutor.

"I had no previous artistic experience, interest, or talent...or so I thought," she said.

These days, Hutchins carries a camera or sketchbook with her wherever she goes. She is part of an avid group of artists who meet weekly for a drawing and painting class, taught by Suzanne Taylor through Western Mountains Senior College.

Last summer, Hutchins and her neighbor Pam Berry teamed up with two other members of the WMSC art group, Denise Hurd of Andover and Ellie Dufault of Bethel, to produce an art show at Andover Old Home Days, showcasing their own work and that of other Andover artists, both living and deceased.

Currently, Hutchins, Berry, and WMSC classmate Kathleen DeVore of Bethel all have works on display in "Area Artists 2015," a biennial juried show in the Atrium Gallery at USM's Lewiston-Auburn College.

"The only reason I even submitted anything for the [Area Artists] show was because several people in the class were doing it," said DeVore, who has been painting since the mid-1990s, but has taken it more seriously since retiring in 2009.

A former elementary school music teacher, DeVore had put her work in the Shy, Novice, and Closeted Art Show,

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Woodstock's first century:

From animal-chasing town officials to home liquor sales

BY AMY CHAPMAN

(Note: This is the second in a series of articles looking back at Woodstock history, in anticipation of the kickoff of its bicentennial celebration Feb. 7.)

Following the approval of its petition for incorporation on Feb. 7, 1815, the fledgling town of Woodstock held its first annual town meeting on March 20 of that year.

Many familiar surnames appear in William B. Lapham's account of the meeting in his 1882 History of Woodstock, Me., and certainly many present-day

residents of the town are descended from its early settlers.

Rowse Bisbee was chosen as Moderator, and the position of Town Clerk was filled by Stephen Chase, who "was duly sworn to the faithful discharge of the duties of his office."

Cornelius Perkins, Alexander Day, and John Billings comprised the town's first Board of Selectmen, and John Gray, Jr., Richard Green, and Josiah Dudley were chosen as Assessors.

Residents also filled a number of other positions, includ-

ing Treasurer, Tax Collector, Constable, Surveyors of Roads, Surveyor of Lumber, Sealer of Weights and Measures, and Sealer of Moulds for Brick.

Two "Tything men" were chosen; their duties would have included not only collecting taxes designated for the church, but also ensuring that no inappropriate behavior took place on the Sabbath, such as falling asleep during services, or unnecessary travel, not related to attending church or tending the sick. (Church services in Woodstock were held in

private homes until the first churches were built in the 1850s.)

Property damage caused by escaped farm animals was a major concern, as indicated by the appointment of two Fence Viewers (to ascertain that fences were in good repair and to resolve disputes between neighbors), five Hog-reeves (charged with preventing and appraising damage to property and crops caused by stray swine), two Field Drivers (to round up stray animals and

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Rev. Jane Rich retiring from Andover church

BY CHERRI CROCKETT
 SUN MEDIA WIRE

On Jan. 31, the First Congregational Church of Andover will honor Jane Rich, their pastor for the past 23 years, as she retires.

Jane recently reflected on her time in Andover and how God answered the prayer of an eight-year-old little girl with a messy life.

She came to Andover in 1974 after marrying Rufus Rich, the son of Louise Dickinson Rich. They made a life for themselves in the cozy town where "everyone just looks out for one another," according to Jane.

She worked at Lakewood Camps that year and began

writing the Middle Dam News for the Bethel Citizen.

"I always knew that we were put here (on earth and in Andover) to do something," said Jane. "And if we're here to do something, we're not meant to sit around. Life is too short."

She grew up in Haddon Heights, New Jersey, the daughter of a mother and father who had fallen away from the Catholic and Methodist callings. She lived a very challenging childhood while her father battled alcoholism.

It was at the age of seven when her uncle gifted her a Bible that she began to find refuge, especially in Matthew 7:7 which states, "Ask

and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you."

"Those words just seemed to jump off the page," said Jane. "When I was eight years old I remember asking God to let me serve Him. To lead me."

As a teen Jane became involved with the Catholic church through friends who took her along with them, but after about 10 years and a few experiences that were less than desirable, Jane "threw that whole thing out the window."

Jane's path lead her through five years without a church and after meeting Rufus and moving to Andover, that was when she discovered First Congregational, becoming a member in 1980.

"I needed to figure out what kind of church it was before I committed," noted Jane.

Jane and Rufus mutually divorced in 1987, but she noted that if it wasn't for him, she would have never known Andover and would have definitely been on another path.

"I feel very strongly that

God honored the prayer of that eight-year-old child," stated Jane. "I've learned over the years that God wishes for us to have obedience now and understanding later."

When asked how she became the pastor in Andover, Jane said that Marriott Churchill was the serving pastor and had urged her to get her license to preach.

After receiving her license, the Oxford Union Association asked Jane to travel to surrounding churches and preach.

"I would basically preach, meet new people, fellowship with them and leave," noted

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Letters

NEWRY CANDIDATE SHARES THOUGHTS

To the Editor:

To the voters of Newry: This March, I am running for a three-year term to the Town of Newry Board of Selectmen, a position I have had the privilege of holding in the past. In addition to being on the Board of Selectmen, I have served on the Planning Board, was a member of the Bylaws Committee in 2012 and am currently Newry's representative on the Bingham Forest Authority.

Over the years I have learned how challenging and rewarding working on town boards can be. The Select Board's job is to make sure town ordinances are being met and to carry out the directives of the voters. Listening to all concerns presented to the board, working collaboratively with other board members, and effectively interacting with the town office is the best way to get that done. While it isn't always comfortable, I know an open, transparent, public discussion is the right way to handle our community's issues and concerns.

We are fortunate to live in a community that is filled with hardworking, honest, dependable people, has abundant natural resources, and also has a very popular year-round resort. These features create great recreation opportunities for us, attract visitors, and are important economic engines for our community. One of the many challenges we face is determining how to best use these resources while also protecting them, now and for future generations. Our community faces other challenges as well. We need to determine the best way to educate our children. We need to determine how to maintain our buildings and roads. I believe the best way to resolve these and all town issues is by giving our residents complete, unbiased information so we can make informed decisions.

If elected, I will do my best to work with residents, town boards, volunteers, and the town office to do what's right for Newry. I encourage you all to understand the issues we face, ask questions, come to the Town Meeting on March 3 and, most importantly, vote your conscience every time you have an opportunity to do so.

Thanks for taking the time to read my thoughts. If you feel they make sense, I would appreciate your vote in the upcoming election on Monday, March 2. If you have any questions, feel free to give me a call at 824-3642.

Jim Largess
Newry

CHRISTMAS FOR CHILDREN THANKS

To the Editor:

The Rotary Club of Bethel is extremely grateful to all who contributed to the Christmas for Children program this year in any amount. Special thanks to Sunday River Resort and Rooster's Roadhouse, whose donations collectively exceeded \$5,000! In 2014, the program set a new record by providing assistance to 101 area families and 204 children. This was up from 188 children and 93 families in 2013. The stories that Rotarians hear from all who pass by while we are "ringing the bell" outside of the grocery store are heartwarming – and help make standing out in the cold even more worth it! Huge thanks are extended to Dr. David Murphy who has led this Christmas for Children effort for more than 20 years!

All are invited to our upcoming fundraising (and "fundraising") events! Our Spring Country Breakfast is tentatively scheduled for Sunday, March 29 at Gould Academy's Ordway Hall. More information on this will be forthcoming, but mark your calendars! We also would like to extend the invitation to all community members to attend our Annual Beer & Wine Tasting event, to be held on Saturday evening, March 28 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the White Cap Base Lodge at Sunday River Resort. \$30 per person includes unlimited and delicious appetizers (enough for a meal!) prepared by the Good Food Store, a variety of beers and wines and dancing to the tunes of Merrill Rollins Band. Tickets are available from any Rotarian!

Rotary's fundraising efforts, although it's not our style to "toot our horn," benefit dozens of individuals and community organizations each year. Did you know that we awarded \$8,500 in educational assistance to high school seniors this year? We donated \$9,000 to the University of Maine's 4-H Camp and Learning Center at Bryant Pond for the building of their new learning barn. We have enjoyed the use of the American Legion Hall in Locke's Mills for our annual senior luncheon, so we helped to purchase them a new dishwasher when their old one stopped working. Our annual budget includes small grants to more than 20 community organizations!

This all is made possible due to the generosity of all of you who support our fundraising – so THANK YOU from the bottom of our hearts. We have just more than 25 members who pour their heart and soul into the work of Rotary. We are also always seeking new members so please come forward if you are interested in rolling up your sleeves and working hard! Our motto is "Service Above Self" and that is what we live and breathe everyday as Rotarians.

Ellie Andrews, President

From the Town Manager's Office

BY CHRISTINE M. LANDES

As always, it is my pleasure to provide this bi-weekly column for the citizens of Bethel.

There has been some recent enthusiasm stirring for the local PEG (Public, Education, and Government) cable channel. A few people are committed to making this a useful tool for the community. The channel has the ability to broadcast local sporting events, public announcements, and even Board meetings. Of course all of this takes human manpower from volunteers. If you or someone you know is interested in learning about this project please contact the Town Office.

The Board of Selectmen recently approved the requirement of liability insurance when town property is rented and/or being used. As a service to the lessee, the town is providing information about the TULIP program (Tenant User Liability Insurance Program). This insurance allows an applicant to input event details online and then receive a price for the policy. Once purchased, the company then forwards the policy to the town so the rental/use application is complete.

There will be a new street light on Main Street in the next few weeks. This LED light will be located in front of the grocery store. The light is expected to give a cleaner, brighter appearance while using substantially less electricity. I am anxious to hear any input after installation so please feel free to let me know how you like it.

I have been meeting with representatives from the towns of Hanover and Newry in regards to the transfer station upgrades. We have been busy gathering information and quotes for the installation of compactors. One compactor will contain solid waste and one will hold recyclables. It is anticipated that the project will be completed by fall. Meeting now allows us to include the expected costs in the upcoming budget.

I have been attending meetings regarding the proposed plan to have a passenger rail service stop in Bethel. This project would allow access to our region by boarding a train at any one of several rail stations from Boston traveling north. There will be several bills presented to the legislature this session to gain funding for the start of the project. If any person is interested in attending one of the meetings or learning more about it please let me know.

One last reminder that your dog(s) must be licensed by Jan. 31. After that there will be a \$25 late fee per dog. And please remember if there is anything I, or the employees of the town, can do for you please do not hesitate to contact us. We are here for you.

The Bethel Journals

The Barn Motel –Way Ahead of Its Time in 1968



The original tile barn for dairy cattle after becoming a motel.

Thurston family collection

BY DONALD G. BENNETT

Nearly two decades before the 1980s condo hurricane, The Barn Motel at Thurstonia Farm in Mayville had everything that other motels did not, two bedrooms and a full kitchen. Mike and Connie Thurston were the owners and Connie was the proud innkeeper. The Oaks of the Bethel Inn and L'Auberge, now the Mill Hill Inn, were inns made from horse barns in the years long ago but did not have Barn Motel style amenities.

In 1968, the Barn Motel was the most modern accommodations in Bethel after twenty years of being Bethel's most modern dairy barn. It had eight apartment style units, and each consisted of two bedrooms, living-dining room with a complete kitchen. They were electrically heated, with television and tennis courts as special amenities. The building's tile walls made for cool rooms during Bethel's hot spells in summer.

Bethel's National Training Laboratory participants coming for summer labs soon discovered the Barn Motel. Connie Thurston recalls that some of the N.T.L. people were skeptical about living in a bedroom that had once been home to cows. City types at first seemed reluctant to sleep where whiffs of cattle might turn up. On the other hand, skiers "took" to the motel in a wholesale fashion; this group usually rented the facilities for the entire winter season, paying in advance, no less. Hunters found the motel to be a favorite "camping site." Forsaking the hunter's reputation for loving to rough it, this group became comfort-loving "regulars" a.k.a. "Connie's Hunters."

How come a terra-cotta tile barn, particularly in Bethel? Late one night in October 1944, disaster struck the Thurston farm. The 26 October 1944 issue of The Bethel Citizen headline news item of the week stated: "Paul Thurston Loses Barn and Guernsey Herd in Night Fire." The article went on to report that the Thurston residence was saved, but the barn and connecting carriage house were lost at an estimated value of \$30,000. Besides the loss of the barn, 32 registered purebred Guernseys and 60 tons of hay was also lost. The fire department arrived at about 10 p.m., but the barn was already fully ablaze. Nearby water sources were soon exhausted. By midnight the fire department moved its pumps to the Androscoggin River for more water.

Paul Thurston took pride in his herd and wanted to rebuild, otherwise, this story could not have been written. Often a loss such as this meant that the owner turned to a different livelihood. The rebuilding project had four parts: (1) the tile dairy barn, (2) a separate, also virtually fireproof hay barn, (3) a

tile garage to replace the lost carriage house that had livestock pens in the basement level and (4) a pair of new wooden silos.

There was a lot of masonry work to be done; Bethel's best-known mason of that time, Frank Gibson, was the mason-in-charge and general contractor. How he would build the new farm buildings was according to a plan that came principally from the owner. Paul Thurston had picked and chosen from some of the best barn designs that he could find in New England. This went on while Paul's son Murray was serving in the Army; his assignments covered a very wide span of the globe: Africa, Sicily, Italy, the Philippines and Japan.

The new barns were up and the man to manage the farm, Linwood "Tink" Felt was on the scene. And then: in 1966, "Tink" severely injured his hand in an accident. After many hours discussing their new situation and time commitments, running the J. A. Thurston mill in Hale, the president's job for the expanding Sunday River Ski Area, Mike and Connie decided to dissolve the Thurston Dairy Farm.

From 1966 to 1968, Bethel's modern dairy barn became the work place for Eddie Daye and Skip Davis, two very well-known local builders, who had been hired to transform the barn into eight, two-bedroom apartment-style motel lodging units. Mike recalls that a temporary, raised sub-floor had to be built first in order for the ceiling work to be within reach. After the first six cow stall to motel unit conversions were done, the Barn Motel opened for business. In the meantime, the cattle had been sold, and the hay barn and blue metal silo which replaced the wooden silos were dismantled and sold.

When Mike and Connie were ready to retire in the late 1980s, the Barn Motel's success led to an offer from a local, largely savings bank, investment group who wanted to expand the original Thurston idea of sleep-cook suites from eight to thirty-two such places under one roof. The thirty-two apartment style units were turned into condominiums purchased mostly by individuals of the group and immediately made available to rent. Air conditioning was later added to the amenities of the entire cluster of suites. Out on the highway, the name of the business became the River View Motel (later changed to Resort). But buried deep inside the shell of the River View Resort lay the soul of Bethel's most modern dairy barn of the 1950s.

Sources are members of the Thurston family.

For the whole barn motel story see: http://www.bethelhistorical.org/Barn_Redux.html

Our Back Pages

BY DANNA BROWN NICKERSON

10 years ago: An exhibit of approximately 60 antique oriental rugs from the Gregorian Family Collection was being held in Gould Academy's James B. Owen Art Gallery.

Edna White, holder of Andover's Boston Post Cane, observed her 94th birthday.

Births: Troy Austin Edmunds, Alannah Lee Shropshire.

Deaths: William H. McFarlane, Donald V. Mills, Arthur H. Whitten, Pauline F. Woodworth.

20 years ago: A dozen residents met informally to begin making plans for Bethel's bicentennial celebration in 1996.

The \$7.9 million, 90-bed Maine Veterans' Home under construction on High Street in South Paris was nearing completion.

Births: Wyatt Donald Long, Kayla Marie Verrill.

Deaths: Lloyd P. Keniston, Sr., Kenneth C. Brooks, Robert S. Littlefield, Harriett S. Stowell, Ellen L. Amadon, George E. Holden.

30 years ago: The Board of Selectmen appointed Rodney Lynch of Auburn as Bethel's new town manager.

A short circuit in the engine of a loader being worked in in the machine shop at Newton & Tebbets mill sparked a fire causing damage estimated at \$20,000.

Births: Kiirsten Abigail Hiebert.

Deaths: Frank R. Grant, Sherman T. Ordway.

40 years ago: At a special town meeting Bethel voters approved an article to appropriate \$12,000 to be applied to the purchase and equipping of an ambulance.

The Telstar Music Dept. presented its winter concert. Performing were the Concert Band, Stage Band, and the newly formed Brass and Woodwind Ensembles.

Birth: Faith Ajeana Walker.

Deaths: Mrs. Effie Thurston Akers, Lawrence E. Philbrook, Guy E. Swan, Sr., Mabel Johnston Reynolds.

50 years ago: Noyes Shirley, District Ranger stationed in Bethel, bought the Roscoe Swain place in Skillington.

Movies of children skiing at Sunday River Skiway were shown on "Club 13" Channel 13 television.

Deaths: Mrs. Emily Preston Stallwood, Jairus Billings, Walter H. Bond, Lester O. Johnson, Mrs. Emma L. Glines.

60 years ago: The Lions Club was making plans for a Poverty Ball to be held at William Bingham Gymnasium, with music provided by Lord's Orchestra.

Officers on the Bethel Chamber of Commerce were Donald M. Christie, president; Howard W. Cole, vice-president; Henry H. Hastings, secretary. Births: Jeri Brooks, Douglas Ireland, Robert Alan Stevens.

Deaths: Mrs. Grace Richardson Brown, Milan A. Chapin, Dr. Lowell Selling.

70 years ago: Bethel town tractor snow plow tangled with a guy wire attached to the smokestack at Newton & Tebbets mill, West Bethel, causing a complete collapse of the stack.

Mrs. Earlon Paine went to California where her husband was stationed with the armed forces.

Francis Berry went to Fort Devens to enter the Army Air Corp.

80 years ago: A Bisson Transfer truck from Berlin, loaded with products from the Cascade mill, tipped over at the Pleasant River bridge blocking the road for 4 to 5 hours.

Leslie Noyes was cutting birch for G.K. Hastings & Sons. Robert Hastings was trucking birch to the mill at Bethel.

Birth: Dennis Alden Wilson. Deaths: Carl Carlson, Charles Fredrick Shaw, Calvin T. Fox.

90 years ago: Wilfred Dupres and Adelard Turcotte of Montreal were entertained at Maple Inn overnight when on their way to attend the Canadian Snowshoe Convention in Lewiston. They made the entire trip of 300 miles on snowshoes.

Thermometer readings were reported as low as 38 below zero during the last week in January.

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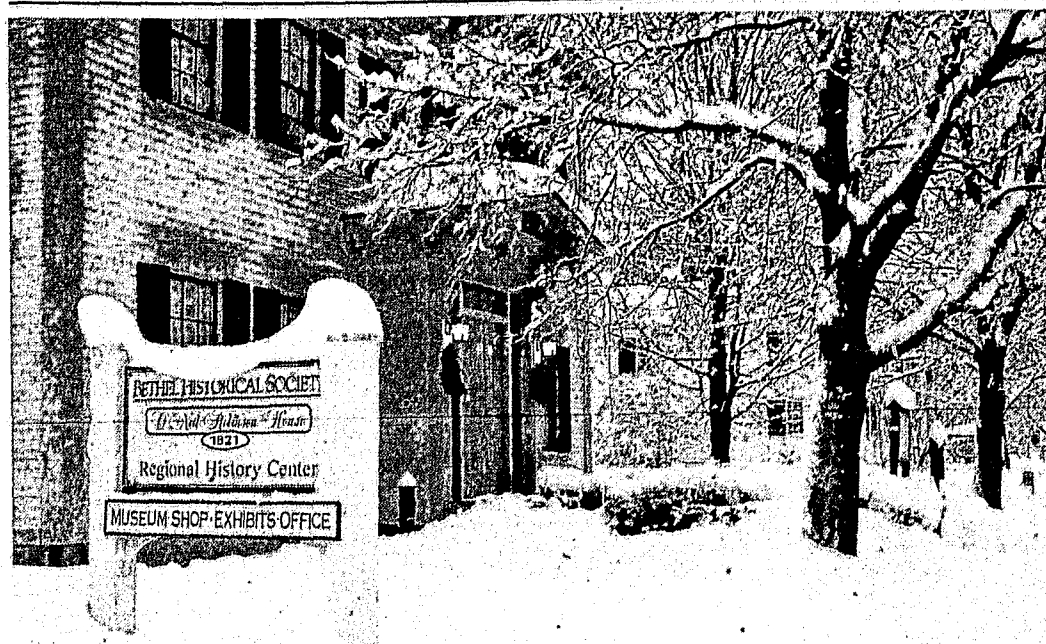
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If Gov. LePage's proposal to tax nonprofit organizations passes, the properties of the Bethel Historical Society could be affected. File photo

(estimated tax: \$949) and the Bethel Family Health Center, with \$199,800 of eligible value (estimated tax: \$1,249). The Maine Mineral & Gem Museum is not yet a nonprofit but is expected to apply for that status, according to the town. Under the gover-

nor's proposal, as a nonprofit the museum would have \$129,000 of eligible value, with an estimated tax of \$806. Those values are also as of last April and could change, such as in the case of building improvements. The total estimated taxes

for all those organizations combined would be \$111,454. Compare that to Bethel's FY'14 state revenue sharing, which totaled \$85,100, according to town records. Through the first six months of FY'15, the town has received \$35,780.

Artists

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held annually in conjunction with Bethel's Art Fair, but this was the first time she had submitted to a juried exhibition.

She paints at home on her dining room table, using mostly watercolors. Since joining Taylor's WMSOC class in the summer of 2010, she said she has tried out several other media, but watercolors remain her favorite.

DeVore's piece in the Area Artists 2015 show is a watercolor painting called "Mockingbirds in Live Oak." She took the photo from which she created the painting while on a visit to her native South Carolina, where her mother still lives.

Berry's submission to the show, "The Morning Debate," is an oil painting of three crows meeting under the branches of the trees on her Andover lawn.

An art teacher at Oxford Hills Middle School for 24 years, Berry retired in 2009 and has since found time to take art classes and develop her own style.

Connecting with other developing artists has been helpful, she said, as the group shares information about materials, techniques, and opportunities to exhibit.

"It is a first for me to be accepted into a juried show," Berry said. "I spent many years teaching, but not showing my work. This time of my life is so rewarding, to be able to be part of this creative community."

"Celia May," Hutchins' artwork in the Lewiston show, is a drawing done in conte crayon, a medium composed of compressed powdered graphite or charcoal, mixed with a wax or clay base. It is a portrait of her late grandmother, Celia Gorman of Bethel.

Looking back today on the "art journal" she was required to keep while taking her first art class, Hutchins says she can see how her understanding of artistic concepts evolved.

"Once I learned to see, I was shocked at how rapidly my work improved," she said. "It was then that I fell in love with drawing and painting."

Longtime professional artist Gail Rein of Woodstock also has work on display in the show. She majored in art in college and has recently returned to painting after a hiatus of several years.

After a career as an award-winning portrait painter in a highly realistic style, she realized that she missed "the ability to just create as I saw fit in the moment, and be surprised myself at how it might turn out."

When she began painting again, she promised herself that she would follow her creative impulses, and the result was the emergence of an energetic and expressive style that captures her subjects' attitude and movement.

"Now I'm really having fun and producing work I find

exciting and engaging," she said. "All the creative energy that lay dormant so many years is clamoring to get out and I'm only too happy to oblige!"

Rein's oil painting, "Flamenco," was chosen for the Area Artists 2015 show. Another of her paintings, "The Dancer," was accepted into the national Oil Painters of America show in Denver this fall and won honorable mention, and her painting "Red Hat" won Best of Show at the Guild of Boston Artists.

Other area artists whose work appears in the show include Liz Evans of West Paris; Sarah Shepley of South Paris; Suzanne Hardy, Pam Morra, and Barbara Traficante of Norway; Ron Hamilton of Oxford; Suzanne Bard of Waterford; and David Dupree of North Waterford.

Sponsored by Spiller's Art Supplies and Copy Center, the Area Artists 2015 show features the work of 93 artists from Androscoggin, Franklin, and Oxford counties, and continues through April 4.

The Atrium Gallery is located at 51 Westminster Street in Lewiston, and is open to the public, free of charge. Hours are Monday-Thursday, 8 a.m.-8 p.m.; Friday, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; and Saturday, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. For more information, call 753-6554 or visit www.usm.maine.edu/atriumgallery.



"Flamenco" is Woodstock artist Gail Rein's oil painting in the Area Artists 2015 show. Courtesy Gail Rein



"Celia May," a drawing by Andover resident Wendy Hutchins of her grandmother, the late Celia Gorman, is on display at the Area Artists 2015 exhibition at the Atrium Gallery in Lewiston. Courtesy Wendy Hutchins

Urgent Care Center opens in Rumford

BY BRUCE FARRIN,
SUN MEDIA WIRE

A new walk-in clinic for the treatment of minor illnesses and injuries has opened at Rumford Hospital.

"Urgent Care is a medical alternative for non-life threatening illnesses or injuries when provider offices are closed or if you don't have a physician or visiting the area," said Sue Rivet, director of outpatient services for Bridgton and Rumford.

The goal of Urgent Care

is to provide affordable healthcare for children and adults with, but not limited to, sore throats, ear aches, flu symptoms, minor cuts and bruises, minor infections, urinary tract infections, allergies, tick bites, simple fractures and skin rashes.

Rumford Urgent Care is the second Central Maine HealthCare (CMHC) Urgent Care to open and is developed on the same model as Bridgton Hospital.

Urgent Care, developed over the last 10 months, is located on the second floor

in the Specialty Clinic Wing of Rumford Hospital. The walk-in clinic also provides an alternative to high cost emergency room visits.

Urgent Care will be staffed with physician assistants and nurse practitioners. Hours of operation to start will be Monday, Wednesday, and Fridays from 5-9 p.m. The newly remodeled waiting room area includes a television and some high top tables. Phone number for Urgent Care is 369-1127.

Urgent Care hours will increase with demand of services.

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Jane. She did this throughout Oxford County from 1988 to 1990.

It wasn't until 1991 when Jane was a member of the search committee to replace Churchill that they asked her to sign a contract to preach at First Congregational for six months until they found someone.

"Then, they asked me to sign a contract for a year, then it was a two-year contract and then finally they said no more contracts, we want to keep you."

At the time, Jane was the registrar of deeds for Oxford County and began her schooling to become ordained.

"I would work all day in South Paris, leave there and head to Portland for one class that night and then leave for Bangor for two more classes and travel back to South Paris for work. It was a grueling schedule."

Jane served First Congregational for 10 years before becoming ordained in 2000.

"I've got a generational connection to Andover now," noted Jane. "I've seen so many people born into this community, grow, some die and some live a long time. I've had the pleasure of being with them on their paths."

Jane shared just how special it is to be able to share a friend's last days, to share their newborns and to see them grow.

"So many people don't realize God's hand is on so many things," stated Jane. "You never know how your words will impact others and who you may help lead to God."

Jane said how difficult it has become over the last several years, between the shrinking number of congregants, along with the new generation not having grown up knowing God and not to have ever heard the stories of the Bible.

"It used to be that everyone who came to church knew the stories and could recite the Lord's Prayer, but I had to truly be in preacher/teacher mode. They need to learn the stories, the prayer and start from scratch."

The First Congregational isn't the only church Jane serves.

Jane said that whenever she would drive by the Upton Union Church she would



Cherri Crockett

note to herself that it was too bad it was closed.

It was during the summer of 2010, during a Daughters of the American Revolution meeting held at the church dining room, that Jane and Upton resident Deborah Judkins began discussing the possibility of opening the Upton Union Church. It was decided that they would open the church from May through October for services.

"It's such a blessing to preach there," noted Jane. "There's a unique presence. Everyone feels it. We can feel the prayerful presence of all those who attended there in the past. It's a very unique place."

Even though Jane is retiring from First Congregational, she will continue to preach in Upton during the summer and early fall months. When asked how long she'll continue up there, Jane laughed, "As long as they'll have me. Remember, obedience now, understanding later."

Olde Home Days

Jane has also had a significant influence in another aspect of life in Andover.

"Yes, I spearheaded an anniversary celebration the summer of 1979 when the town of Andover was celebrating their 175th anniversary and people enjoyed themselves so much they came to me with the hope that we could do something

annually."

Over the next 10 years Jane was head of the AOHD committee, but then let it go to another group with more energy and time. Now, with the 35th anniversary coming up in August, Jane is looking to get another group of 40-somethings interested in spearheading the event to keep it alive and well.

Asked to what she attributes the longevity of the event, Jane said, "People in Andover care about one another. They care about their roots. They care about tradition. They want to hold on to all that has made them who they are."

Andover hasn't heard the last of Jane, as she's taken out papers for selectman, on the urging of her fellow townspeople.

"I'm here to serve. I was a selectman from 1978 to 1987 and I've grown a reputation of responsibility and respect," she said. "I know as a selectman I am there to serve the people, not abuse my power."

Anyone who happens to be in Andover Jan. 31 may stop by the First Congregational Church to wish Jane well, or take a ride to Upton when the church opens back up in May.

"God's been very good to me," said Jane. "I've been down a strange path, but I've always done my best to trust and let Him guide me. He's had a hand on my life from the beginning. I trust Him."

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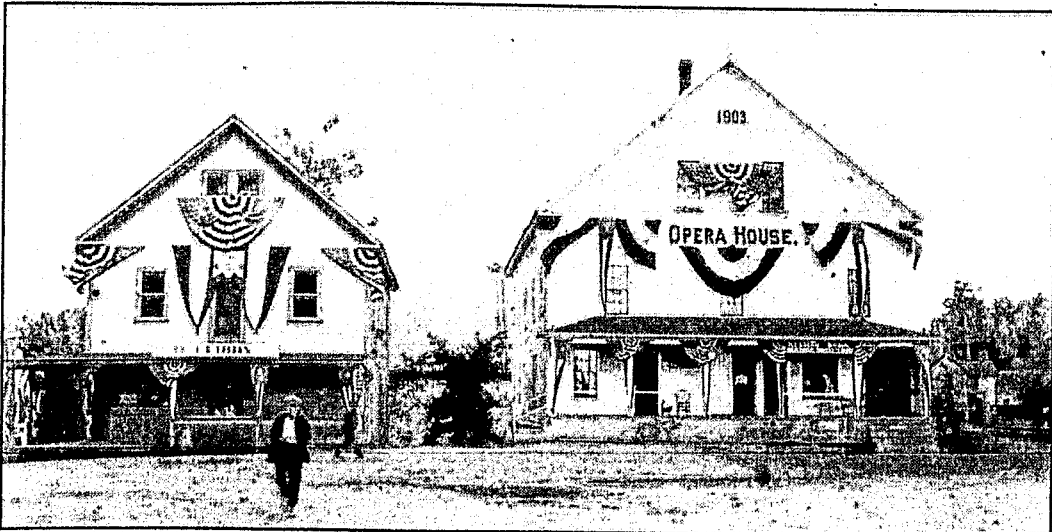
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Woodstock

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Herbert J. Libby's store and Dudley's Opera House are shown decorated for Woodstock's Centennial celebration in 1915. Both sat in the vicinity of the current Bryant Pond post office, facing the town common. The Opera House burned, along with its neighboring building (at that time the Frothingham Store) on April 24, 1928. The origin of the fire was unknown and the loss was estimated at \$25,000.

drive them to the pound), and three Pound Keepers (to care for impounded stray animals and collect fees from their owners).

In all, the residents of the town—which as of 1812 had consisted of 42 families, according to Lapham—filled 42 municipal positions.

Many elected officials served in several capacities. Luther Whitman, for example, served as Tax Collector, Constable, Pound Keeper, and a member of the School Committee.

Initially, most residences and businesses were located along the original road, now called Old County Road, in a settlement that became known as Stephens Mills. The first post office was built there in 1824, and the town's first physician, Dr. Nathan Bradbury, settled there in 1827.

According to Ruby Emery's 1988 History of Woodstock, Maine, "The small village began to decline when the road, now Route 26, was built through the southern part of the town and the post office was moved to Andrews' Mills, or South Woodstock."

David Andrews, Jr. built a sawmill in South Woodstock in 1826, and his son Ziba established the town's first funeral business, which remained in the Andrews family for more than 150 years.

Ziba Andrews, a Baptist minister, handled all aspects of funeral arrangements, from building the casket and laying out the body to preaching the sermon and digging the grave—all "for

the small sum of four dollars," wrote Emery.

In the 1820s, a settlement also sprang up in what is now known as North Woodstock, or Pinhook, eventually consisting of dozens of homesteads, along with a post office, stores, sawmills, and even a hotel. A schoolhouse was built there in 1838, and a Baptist Chapel in 1860.

Bryant Pond village

In 1851, the Atlantic and St. Lawrence railroad reached what is now Bryant Pond village, bringing passenger trains to an area of town that was previously unsettled, except for one farm, upon which much of the village was built. The farmhouse, which belonged to Albion Whitman, was sold and remodeled to become the village's first hotel, the Bryant's Pond House, later known as the Glen Mountain House.

Thanks to the railroad, the village grew quickly. In 1882 Lapham wrote, "Bryant's Pond is a center of trade for a considerable area. It is connected by stage and telegraph with Rumford and Andover...A large spool factory has been established here, which has given a decided impulse to the business of the place. The granite quarries below the village also give constant employment in summer to quite a number of men."

By the middle of the 19th century, the residents of Woodstock were enjoying a modicum of prosperity, a fact that Lapham, a staunch supporter of temperance reform, attributed to the town's having adopted a pro-

temperance stance.

"The influence of this reform began to be manifest in a short time in improved farm buildings, in better cultivation of the soil, in more and better farm stock, and, best of all, in an emancipation from that evil which, like a bird of ill omen, had brooded over the town for many a year."

During the latter half of the 19th century, a number of notable buildings were constructed in the village of Bryant Pond. These included Ezra Jewell's store, which also housed the post office, in 1852; the Universalist Church in 1853; the Baptist Church in 1856; a Town Hall and Masonic Lodge in 1872; and the Franklin Grange in 1892.

Manufacturing was booming, as evidenced by the building in 1890 of the village's first wood turning mill by Captain John Dearborn (later the Stowell Silk Spool Company); Lewis M. Mann's steam mill in 1890; and, in 1891, a "corn shop," where sweet corn grown in Poland (Maine) was canned for over 25 years by the Fernald, Keene, and True Company.

It wasn't long before summer visitors to the area began to buy property and build cottages on the shores of Lake Christopher.

One of the first, Lakeside Cottage (now The Maine House) was built by Philip Abbott in 1853, and later became the summer residence of Frances Hayes, daughter of President Rutherford B. Hayes.

Ernest Freeman built the

Stone House, now home to the University of Maine 4-H Camp and Learning Center, in 1892.

In 1902, Rev. Frederick Kinsman, Episcopal Bishop of Delaware, built Birchmere, a large summer cottage on the back side of the lake, accessible at the time only by boat. He and his family occupied the cottage for the next 30 summers, and Kinsman lived there year-round for several years after his retirement.

Hamlin's Gore

Hamlin's Gore, a narrow strip of land abutting Bethel and Greenwood which includes most of North Pond, was omitted from the original survey of the town, done at the end of the 18th century. Deeded to Dr. Cyrus Hamlin (father of Hannibal Hamlin, later Vice President of the U.S.) on Feb. 26, 1816, it was divided into 13 lots and sold.

Hamlin's Gore was organized under a plantation form of government in 1826, and for nearly half a century, its residents, eventually numbering nearly 100, took responsibility for the plantation's roads and schools, collected their own taxes, and made their own rules.

In the early 1870s, John Merrill, having sold his interest in a store in the "dry" town of Woodstock, began selling liquor from his home in the Gore. The temperance-minded residents of the town appealed to the prosecuting officer of the county, but since the plantation government of Hamlin's Gore continued to renew his liquor license, nothing could be done to shut Merrill's business down.

In desperation, in 1873, the residents of Woodstock successfully petitioned the state legislature to annex Hamlin's Gore, and it became a part of the town. Lapham wrote that Merrill left town shortly thereafter, "owing the State liquor agent quite a large sum, for which the inhabitants of the Gore were responsible, and the collection of which was enforced by legal process."

1915 Centennial celebration

On August 18, 1915, Woodstock celebrated its 100th anniversary in high style. A company hired from Portland had spent three days decorating the town's build-

ings with flags and bunting, and the Lewiston Daily Sun reported that 3000 spectators filled the village of Bryant Pond to view one of the largest parades in the history of Oxford County.

There was a ceremony on the common, highlighted by an oration by former Maine governor Bert M. Fernald, and a baked-bean dinner was served at midday at the Grange Hall. Sporting events, including a three-legged race, a "fat man's race," and a baseball game

against South Paris, took place throughout the afternoon.

Afternoon exercises took place in Dearborn's Grove, near Lakeside Cemetery, featuring music, historical speeches, and an anniversary poem by Phillip Brooks. The celebration culminated in evening fireworks and a grand ball held at Dudley's Opera House.

Thanks to the Woodstock Historical Society for information included in this article.

Sewer

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have to respond," he said. Bennett said they had consulted with the town attorney, and were told they could take action through a waiver process and "relax" the requirements, as long as it is "not contrary to the public interest."

At an upcoming board meeting, he said, the board will have a formal statement that will suspend the new rates, likely beginning with the next quarterly bill, and "allow us time to come up with a better, more user-friendly" definition for a dwelling unit. "It gives us enough time to step back and not have to pay the big bill and try to get this right. I think people thought they had something that was more definitive of what a dwelling unit is. We obviously did not."

But Bennett also said he had heard from other users who feel people making money from some rentals should pay more. He cited stories he had heard about winter season rental units with "eight cars and 35 people" staying in them and generating much more water volume for the sewer system than other users.

However the billing is be adjusted, said Bennett, a fair rate will need to be established that would also provide enough money to run the treatment plant.

The current base rate is \$121 for 1,500 cubic feet of volume, with an added charge for usage over that.

Treatment plant Superintendent Rob Gundersen said the recently-completed Vernon Street upgrade project will result in higher rates.

One of the affected users, Ross Swan, attended the meeting and said charges should be based on volume of usage. "If it's not based on cubic footage, I see it as just a tax across the board," he said.

But Selectman Peter Southam said the base cost of the plant is the most significant. "It costs a lot to have the plant," he said, while adding water volume does not increase the cost by a relatively large amount.

"There's a lot of pitfalls here," he said. "The 'fair' is very hard to define. We'll be probably blundering through this for a while. Is it going to make everyone happy? I don't think so, because no one wants to pay."

Swan also asked if affected people who had received a quarterly bill under the updated system and had paid would get a refund.

Bennett said he did not think the town could do that. But, he said, if it turns out they have overpaid after the system is adjusted, the money could be refunded or applied to future bills. He also said people who had not yet paid should, "and we will work it all out in the end."

According to the current ordinance, "Each condominium unit, dwelling unit, and each mobile home site shall be considered a separate and individual sewer connection even though several units or sites are connected by one or more sewer lines to the private or public sewer. Each unit or site owner shall pay at least the minimum sewer charge."

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The Way I See It

BY SHARON BOUCHARD

From the TWISearchives:
The dictionary defines snow as solid precipitation in the form of white or translucent crystals.

I can tell you that the solid precipitation that has filled my driveway and walkway during the two recent storms is definitely not translucent and is very white.

As some of you know, I am not a fan of snow. I don't ski or snowmobile and it's probably been over 40 years since I made my last snow angel. Even as a kid I wasn't very fond of winter wonderlands and it would take something pretty important, like a dare from friends, before I would lay down in the cold wetness and flap my arms to make a snow angel.

I don't ever remember a time when I liked winter. When I was little, my brothers always got excited with the first real snowstorm of the year. They couldn't wait to get their winter gear on and get outside. Not this kid though. I would find any excuse I could to stay inside.

I can't tell you how many miserable days I had to go to school during snowstorms. Now days, because of the massive bus routes the school districts have, they cancel school pretty quickly when it's storming. That was not the case in my school days. We lived in town so I was a "walker" and it had to be a pretty severe blizzard before the "walkers" got to stay home. On top of that I had to walk up hill, in my bare feet, both ways. Not really, but some days it seemed that bad. In the old days, when I was a kid, girls had to wear skirts or dresses to school. We

could put pants on under the skirt or dress for transportation purposes, but that was it.

My mother, God bless her, made me wear big bulky flannel lined corduroy pants and snow pant under my dresses. The snow pants were the bib type so the dress had to be tucked in which never seemed to get completely concealed. Do you have any idea how uncomfortable it was to walk with all that clothing?

It was more of a waddle

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than a walk. And my boots were ugly. They were the rubber-pull-on-over-the-shoes kind and I never got them on exactly right so as well as the waddle I walked on the sides of my boots.

If that wasn't bad enough, I had to have a knit scarf wrapped around my face, some kind of goofy hat pulled down over my ears, which tied under the chin, and my mittens never matched.

I had to be quite the sight waddling down the street on my way to school. By the time I got to school, in spite of all my mother's preventative measures, I was still frozen like a Popsicle and covered with snow so I looked like one too.

My entire life could weather has had one effect on me, besides being cold; it makes

me have to go to the bathroom. So here's the picture: a little girl with a dress tucked into snow pants and flannel lined corduroy pants, big bulky snow jacket, ugly boots, knit scarf wrapped around the face, goofy hat, mismatched mittens, covered with snow and having to pee. Is it any wonder why I hate winter?

I can clearly remember trying to remove all those wet layers of clothing sitting on the floor of the "cloak room" at school. It would be a race trying to get everything off and run to the bathroom before the bell rang. Usually my boots would stick on at least one foot and the knot on the ties of that darn goofy hat would be frozen and impossible to untie. I don't look back on those days with fond memories.

On Saturday, as the solid white crystals were filling my driveway and the wind was howling in the Northeast, I went out to shovel. I realized as my back was screaming with each shovel full of snow and my hand and feet were freezing that I had to go to the bathroom. I also realized that I was wearing two pairs of thick pants, ugly boots, a knit scarf tied around my face, a goofy hat that tied under my chin and mismatched mittens.

As I waddled toward the house the town plow came by and buried my driveway, yet again. The way I saw it then was that I might just as well take another step back in time and lay down in the cold wetness and make a giant snow angel. Under certain circumstances, reverting to childhood is the only thing to do.

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Briefly

Bethel to form withdrawal advisory committee

BETHEL-Bethel selectmen decided Monday to form a school withdrawal advisory committee to study ramifications, if the neighboring town of Newry votes to withdraw from SAD 44. If Newry votes to leave, its current annual contribution of \$2.9 million to the SAD 44 budget could be significantly reduced, leaving the remaining towns of Bethel, Greenwood and Woodstock to make up the difference. Selectman Peter Southam expressed interest in joining the Bethel committee, and asked that Supt. Dave Murphy be invited to attend. Town Manager Christine Landes said she believes "we're going to be in a pickle if something happens ... and we don't have something in place. It's essential that we kind of get wind of what Newry is planning, also." Board Chair Stan Howe said he had recently talked with state Rep. Fran Head about the withdrawal issue. Head recently requested a legislative bill that would prevent future withdrawals, but the particulars of the bill have not yet been worked out.

Vt. balloon lands in Bethel

LYNDONVILLE, Vt. - Students at a Vermont high school have recovered in the state of Maine two balloons launched from their Lyndonville campus, one of which rose to almost 90,000 feet before falling back to earth. The first balloon launched as part of the Lyndon Institute's Space Balloon Project was launched on Jan. 15. It carried a payload that included a GPS tracker, a camera, and a transponder to locate the balloon. The second balloon was launched Jan. 22. The balloons were rigged with parachutes so that when the balloons expanded past a certain point they would explode and the payloads would parachute to Earth. The Caledonian Record reported that the first balloon was recovered near Borestone Mountain, Me. The second was recovered near Bethel, almost 100 miles southwest of the first.

Woodstock ponders dog ordinance change

WOODSTOCK-The Board of Selectmen heard from the chairwoman of the Planning Board last week regarding possible amendments to the town's dog control ordinance. Town Manager Vern Maxfield said at the Jan. 6 board meeting that the town received a request to amend the dog control ordinance to require dog kennels, rescue shelters or similar facilities applying for a license or permit to notify abutting landowners. Planning Board Chairwoman Jen Chase said she drafted an amendment in the dog control ordinance that would require the animal control officer to notify the town when a resident received a license to start a kennel. "Right now, the state issues the licenses and permits for the kennel, and the animal control officer, Ozzy Hart, does an inspection before the license is issued," Chase told the board. "The town is never in the loop, so we're never aware when a kennel or rescue shelter is being built." Chase said the owner of the kennel being built on Perkins Valley Road applied for a cement slab permit, but the Planning Board was not aware what it was for. "We were blindsided by this whole thing," Chase said. "We agreed that if there was a clause in the dog control ordinance that allowed our animal control officer to be the conduit between the kennel owner and the town, we'd be able to stay in the loop." Chase said the town could inform abutters about any kennels or rescue shelters being built next to them, as long as the animal control officer informed the town. - M. Daigle, Sun Media Wire

Mass. man dies in crash

BETHEL-A Shrewsbury, Mass., man was killed early Saturday morning when his car went off the road and into a utility pole. Mickael A. Jette, 24, was driving south on Sunday River Road near the Route 2 intersection at about 2:37 a.m. when he lost control of his car, went airborne over a snowbank and crashed into a Central Maine Power utility pole, Oxford County Sheriff Wayne Gallant said. "It cracked the pole, and it's one of those very huge poles," Gallant said. "It split it but it was still intact." Gallant said the car was wrapped entirely around the pole and Jette died on impact. The accident cracked a transformer on the pole and rescue crews had to wait for CMP to shut off power before they could access Jette's black 2006 Volvo. Power was shut off to many in the area for about 90 minutes following the accident. Personnel from the Oxford County Sheriff's Office and Bethel Fire and Rescue responded to the accident.

Two saved from river

ANDOVER-Two people made it out of the water but a snowmobile was left behind after an apparent crash near South Main Street last Thursday. An Andover resident reported just before 9 p.m. that a person had knocked on their door asking for help. At that point, two people were reported to be in the river and Rumford fire crews sent a cold-water unit along with paramedics. It was not immediately clear whether the pair had gone into the Ellis River or Lone Brook. A short time after the call went out, both victims were reported to be out of the water. Reports were that one victim was taken to a hospital while the second declined medical treatment. The Maine Warden Service was contacted to assist with the retrieval of the snowmobile.

Bethel

By Nancy Brown



Have you filed your taxes yet? This year the IRS is making it even more difficult. Of course, there are the expected changes to tax laws, which happen every year, but this year the IRS is not even sending out tax instruction booklets to public libraries. We used to receive box loads of forms and instruction booklets at the library where I work. Not anymore. If you need instruction forms you need to print them yourself from the IRS website at www.irs.gov or call the IRS at 800-829-3676 and have them mail a copy to you. Be prepared for a long wait on the phone. Maine hasn't sent state tax forms to libraries for a number of years. You can get Maine forms by calling the Maine Department of Revenue at 207-624-7894 or visiting the website at www.maine.gov.

My suggestion on taxes? If you need help, consider making an appointment with AARP Tax Aide volunteers who will help you with your taxes and e-file them for you. It's a free service offered on Fridays and Saturdays from Jan. 30 to April 11 at Norway Memorial Library. Call the library at 743-5309 ext. 1 for the information you need to make an appointment.

The women of the Bethel United Methodist Church are hosting their annual Valentine's Day Tea on Saturday, Feb. 14, from 1 to 3 p.m. at the church on Main Street. Everyone is welcome.

The second book discussion of Civil War Stories by Ambrose Bierce will take place at the Bethel Library on Wednesday, Feb. 4, at 7 p.m. The discussion facilitator is Doug Rawlings of the University of Maine at Farmington. Books are available at the library. Everyone is welcome. The discussion is part of the "Local & Legendary: Maine in the Civil War" project that is being presented by Gould Academy, Bethel Historical Society, and the Bethel Library. The project celebrates the 150th anniversary of the Civil War and is sponsored by the Maine Humanities Council and Maine Historical Society and funded by the National Endowment for the Humanities.

More library news: The Norway Memorial Library is sponsoring an Adult Craft Night on Tuesday, Feb. 3 at 6:30 p.m. Participants will learn how to make Scrabble tile necklaces and library card bookmarks. Registration is required. All supplies

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will be provided. You can call the library to sign-up at 743-5309 ext. 1. This is part of a series of craft programs for adults only. Previous programs included learning how to make Day of the Dead decorations in October and Christmas decorations in December.

If you have news to share, please e-mail me at brown-nancy1950@gmail.com, or call me at 824-2483.

East Bethel

By Wally Ritz



Here we are awaiting the first major storm of 2015. It's supposed to start tonight, Monday and last into Wednesday. I do understand that it is quite a big storm, yet hey, we do live in Maine and it surely shouldn't get hyped up to the extent that friends call me from Germany to see if I am safe and OK. Personally, the worst storms I've experienced were the blizzard of '78, hurricane Gloria of '85 and then the ice storm of '98. I do have nice memories to go along with each. It is amazing the things folks do in the face of hardships like these. I'd love to hear what others perceive as the worst storms and stories to go along. So, call me at 507-1008 or e-mail heinrichcracker@gmail.com.

Here's the new Trivia question: "He was born in Bethel all right, Eva Bean said so." Who said this and who does it refer to? Stay safe.

Andover

By Jane C. Rich



Many people around town are concerned with the fact that no one has taken out papers for the one year term on our newly formed school board. It's important that this seat be filled especially after the School Withdrawal Committee has worked so hard for so long in order to have control over our local school and how we educate our children. Actually, for anyone who has been thinking about getting on the school board, this is an ideal situation to try it out and see what it's like. The commitment is a short one year in which you could decide whether this is for you or not. The filing date deadline is Feb. 5. Requirements are a willingness to serve and learn and be 18 years of age. Please give this your careful consideration. While several peo-

ple have taken out papers for the open Selectman seat only two candidates have filed papers and they are Dianne Cutting and Jane Rich. Three people have taken out papers for the open Road Commissioner position, but only David Dolloff has filed. Town Meeting date has been set for March 21 with elections on March 24.

In a small town like Andover volunteers are necessary to keep our town functioning whether it's on the School Board, the Recreation Committee, the Town Hall Restoration Committee or other

organizations. Without volunteers these endeavors can't go forward. The progress in the Town Hall Restoration is an example of what community minded persons willing to give some time to a project can accomplish.

This Saturday, Jan. 31 from 1 to 4 p.m. at the CEB there will be a retirement party honoring Rev. Jane Rich. The community is invited to attend and enjoy a time of refreshment and fellowship.

The weekend of Feb. 14 and 15 should be great for snowmobilers and ice fishermen as the Larry Mercier

OCSD Patrol Log

Wednesday, Jan. 21

At 4:40 p.m. Cpl. George Cayer and Sgt. Matt Baker responded to a T-bone accident on Mayville Road in Bethel. A child was complaining of head pain.

Thursday, Jan. 22

At 9:29 a.m. Deputy Andy Whitney received a report of criminal mischief on Main Street in Greenwood. The incident was under investigation.

At 2:17 p.m. Capt. Chris Wainwright served a subpoena at a Bethel business to obtain financial records regarding an ongoing fraud case.

At 8:41 p.m. a caller on South Main Street in Andover reported a subject banging on the door saying someone had fallen into the river and was drowning. The caller was not sure if the subject was being truthful. Deputy Willie Nelson was assigned.

Friday, Jan. 23

At 1:47 p.m. Capt. Chris Wainwright and Cpl. Brian Landis assisted the Secret Service with a felony fraud case by providing information at a meeting in Bethel.

Saturday, Jan. 24

At 2:37 a.m. deputies responded to a motor vehicle fatality on the Sunday River Road in Bethel.

At 7:19 a.m. Deputy Andy Whitney took a report of trespassing and theft from a Bethel business. There were no known items stolen but the situation was to be investigated.

At 1:45 p.m. Deputy Andy Whitney took a report of a lost pistol on Howe Hill Road in Greenwood.

At 7:02 p.m. Sgt. Matt Baker responded to a two-vehicle crash on Church Street in Bethel.

Sunday, Jan. 25

At 9:09 a.m. Deputy Andy Whitney received a report of child endangerment on Mason Street in Bethel. After reviewing the incident the deputy determined no laws were broken. The complainant was advised not to utilize the same child care services if they were not happy with them.

At 12:49 a.m. Deputy Steve Witham received several complaints of possible fireworks in the in-town Bethel area. A source was not found, but after speaking with complainants it was found the fireworks were possibly set off on Summer Street.

At 8:48 a.m. Deputies Josh Wyman and Andy Whitney responded to the intersection of Routes 2 and 26 (Bear River Road) in Newry for a report of a car rollover with possible injury. It was determined there was no injury.

At 10:14 a.m. Deputies Josh Wyman and Andy Whitney responded to Meadowbrook Bridge Road in Mason for a two-vehicle, property-damage crash. The driver of one vehicle was summonsed for operating after suspension.

At 11:34 a.m. Deputy Josh Wyman investigated a harassment issue on Fall Line Drive in Newry.

PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to Title 28 MRSA 252 a notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held on February 9, 2015 at the Bethel Town Office to consider a Liquor License and Entertainment Permit renewal from Funky Red Barn, located at 19 Summer St. Public comment will be heard at that time. Prior to the hearing date written comment may be issued to the Bethel Town Office or email at info@bethelmaine.org.

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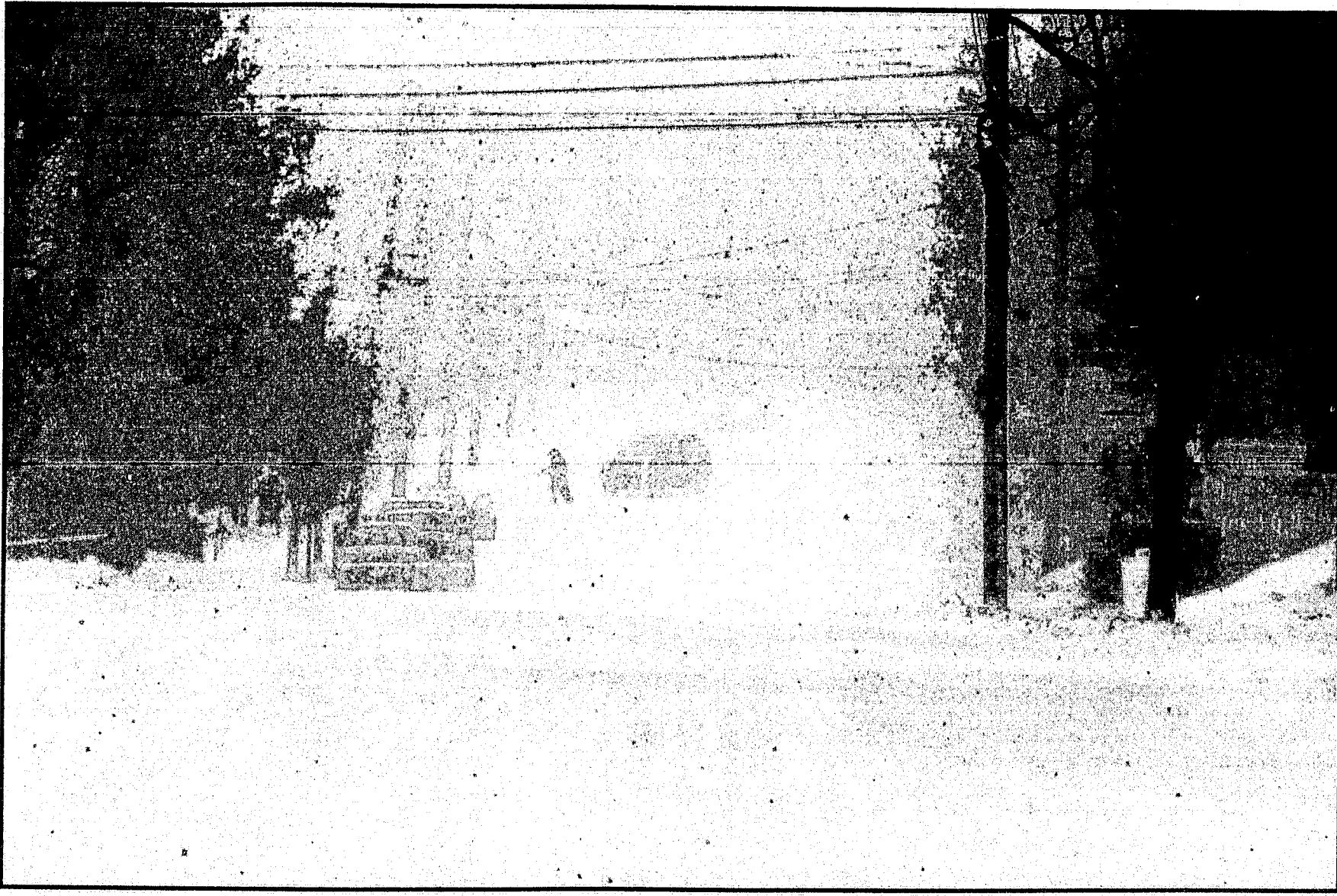
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BRAVING THE STORM—With heavy snow predicted Tuesday, a few people dared to venture out around 9 a.m. to run errands on Main Street in Bethel. Several offices/businesses closed for the day. With blowing and drifting, it was difficult to determine accumulation, but amounts seemed to range between 6 and 8 inches.

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er Ice Fishing Derby will be taking place on Feb. 14 on Roxbury Pond from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Rain date is Feb. 15. The big prize for the person lucky enough to catch the tagged fish is \$2,000. Other prizes will be awarded for the largest Pickerel, Bass, Trout and Perch. Entry fee is \$10. Snowmobilers will have the opportunity for a ride to the wind towers on Feb. 15. The fee for this is \$10, \$8 for club members or early registration. Registration starts at 8 a.m. and the ride will begin at 10 a.m.

Scott Farrington informs me that the ice skating rink behind the fire station is in good shape.

Bryant Pond

By Alice Hoyt



Sympathy is extended to the family of Zylpha Gibbs.

The Woodstock-Greenwood Senior Citizens will meet on Thursday, Feb. 5, at Ledgerview Living Center, West Paris. Dinner put on by Ledgerview. I am not certain of what the program is at this time. Meeting starts at 11:30. New members always welcome. Members pay \$8 toward the dinner. Dues are \$2. Services at the Baptist Church are Sunday School at 9:15, Morning Worship at 10:30, Evening Service

at 6 p.m. Wednesday evening at 6:30 is Mid-Week Service, Bloom for girls 13 to 18 and Foundations for guys 15 and up.

Larry Billings has donated a book to the Historical Society.

Have you been to a good old fashioned rummage sale lately? The teens at the Baptist Church are having a "Bloom" closet sale on Saturday, Jan. 31, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome. Clothing \$1 per bag, shoes, stuff, jewelry, etc. All kinds of deals. Also available, a soup lunch. Suggested donation: \$.50. This money all goes for the teens to go to Florida in June to summer camp. If you have any donations of clothes, etc. in good condition that you wish to donate, you may leave them at the church parsonage. If you don't want to shop, come for a good meal of soup, etc. Come support our teens. The public is invited.

Gilead

By Lin Chapman



February, the shortest month, is right around the corner. If there are not a lot of snow storms, the month may go by fairly quickly. Funny how it seems to work that way.

My brother, Steve

McLain, was just as pleased as I was that we did not get any snow from last weekend's storm.

Hugh and I got a pretty Montana postcard from our nephew, Joe McLain, the other day. The picture was a little cabin in a meadow with flowers and the sun was shining on the mountains in the background. Looks like it would be a nice place to spend some time.

Things are fairly quiet on Depot Street. The usual birds go by; some stop at the feeder and some don't. When there is a storm coming up, we usually get quite a few that seem to be stocking up. Our pair of Cardinals come several times a day.

Since our granddaughter, Sidney, left her cell phone in our Jeep the other day, we decided to go to Gorham and return it. She had a hockey game last Sunday, so we went to that at the same time. They played a good game, but still lost.

Town Office
I was pleased to hear that the Citizen would like some more news from Gilead. The request was for me, as the Town Clerk, to provide minutes from the monthly selectmen's meeting. These minutes from the meeting are public and now, having them in the paper will make them more available. Thanks, Alison.

Gilead Historical Society
There was a very nice ar-

ticle by Amy Chapman in the Citizen last week about small historical societies. I have heard several positive compliments about it. When I was emailing information to Amy, I guess I did not make it clear that I am a past president of the GHS and Norm Buttrick is the current president. I am currently the Treasurer. My fault, not hers. Just wanted to clear that up.

I recently joined the Woodstock Historical Society because some of my ancestors had connections to that area. Luther Briggs, who is buried in the little cemetery near the ball field, was my great-great-grandfather.

Got any news? Call 836-2987 or e-mail chapmal@hotmail.com.

Hanover

By Maria Holloway



Let your voice be heard! You are invited to an informational meeting as the Town of Hanover explores the possibility of withdrawal from Regional School Unit 10. The meeting will be hosted by the Hanover Select Board, on Tuesday, Feb. 16, at 6 p.m. at the Hanover Town Office. (This meeting will be preceded by the regular monthly Select Board meeting at 5 p.m. that same evening.) Residents of the town are encouraged to attend. This is your opportunity to learn more about

how withdrawal may impact our town and will provide an open forum where you may share your opinion and feedback on the subject. The Western Foot-hills RSU10 includes the towns of Buckfield, Byron, Canton, Carthage, Dixfield, Hanover, Hartford, Mexico, Roxbury, Rumford and Sumner.

Congratulations to Marcello DeLuca of Hanover and Brendan Stearns of Greenwood on their recent achievement of Eagle Scout Rank. At the ceremony, District 117 Maine House Representative Fran Head commended the two young men for their accomplishment and advised them to "never stop finding ways to make our great community even better." She emphasized that public service yields rewards and brings out the best in all of us. Check out Fran's Facebook page for pictures of Marcello and Brendan and for updates on Fran's activities at the Maine Legislature at www.facebook.com/Fran4Rep. Thank you, Fran, for your recognition of these two fine young men. Hanover is proud that they are a vital part of our community and thanks them for their contributions.

Congrats also go out to Keith Crockett-Harrington who recently passed his exam and is now officially licensed to drive a car. Way to go, Keith!

Hanover Town Clerk, Kelly Harrington, reminds all dog owners that many Hanover dog licenses are still due. Late fees will be assessed for dogs not licensed by this Saturday, Jan. 31, 2015, and unli-

censed dogs will be reported to Animal Control Officer Ozzie Hart.

Library hours are Wednesdays 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturdays from 9 a.m. to noon. The Busy Bees have been meeting regularly on Tuesdays from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Library. With the recently installed insulation you can be assured that the Library will be cozy and warm, even on the coldest of Maine winter days. Bring a project or just join in to chat and catch up with friends and neighbors. Newcomers are welcomed.

Got snow? Skiers, snowmobilers, and winter woods hikers long for some fresh, white fluff. Snow dance, anyone?

Please e-mail your news, comments and questions to HanoverMENews@gmail.com.

Locke's Mills

By Betsey Foster



Shelves and cabinets are being built in the meeting room at the new town office. When the

archives were removed from the schoolhouse/former town office, more storage area was needed. Butch Fuller and Lenny Hoy are doing the work. Looks like they may be finished before the new recycling center is ready.

The Greenwood Selectmen met in executive session again concerning a fire department personnel matter.

Budget Committee meetings will begin the first Thursday in March. A sign of spring to come.

Another sign of another season in the wings - area hardware and feed stores have begun advertising sap collecting equipment.

Remember that the Shadagee Ramblers are playing at Mt. Abram every Thursday at 6 p.m. They perform for an hour and then open the mic up to other musicians to play. Musicians and listeners are welcome to join the fun.

Do you have white-breasted nuthatches at your birdfeeders this winter? A friend called last week and said they had none of this species and usually have plenty. I realized then I had seen only one rather infrequently this winter. Please let me know if you have these birds and if they are there in the usual, smaller or larger numbers. I'll see what I can find out from Audubon in the meantime.

Robert Lowell, Lowell's Saw Shop and Greenstock Snow Sports Association, told me that there is so little snow around that the groomers have not been able to groom the area snowmobile trails. The lack of snow has snowmobilers grumpy, cross country and backcountry skiers whining, and snowshoers and snowbikers fretting. Luckily, it has been cold so the downhill areas

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can make snow for their patrons. We need some of that white fluffy stuff. It sounds like by the time you read this need may have been fulfilled.

As usual, I'll state my snow wish. Please snow about six inches every Monday night between 10 p.m. and 5 a.m. each week for the next six weeks. As usual, Mother Nature will pay no heed to my insignificant desires. Or anyone else's.

How is your woodpile doing? The old saying is that you should have half your wood pile left at the end of January. Winter is half over, and it is the hardest and coldest half that has passed.

Please send news to 3taichi6@gmail.com.

Mason

By Richard Grover



Last Wednesday afternoon I was hoping to get caught up on some computer problems, but I was interrupted by Mona complaining that there was a bunch of water on the cabinet floor under the kitchen sink. I went into the kitchen where Mona had taken everything out of the sink cabinet, and, sure enough, there was a pool of water on the linoleum we had put in to protect the floor of the cabinet. After wiping up the water, I crawled into the cabinet on my back so I could look for a leak. I found a steady drip, drip coming from the faucet "squirt hose" connection. I squirmed around on my back under the sink trying to figure out how to stop the leak in very confined space where I couldn't see how the connection was made or how to disconnect it. After trying both sides of the sink cabinet, without success,

I decided to go to Western Maine Supply (WMS) to see if they had another similar faucet that I could look at to see how to disassemble the one under my sink.

I had to hurry to get to WMS before they closed at 4 p.m. WMS had a new faucet like the one I had at home, so I could see how to get our old one out. Although Mike at the counter said my old faucet was still under warranty, I declined the offer of a replacement because of my troubles with the old one (the second time I had had trouble with it). I purchased a new Moen brand faucet, which turned out to be a snap to install. But first, I had to take the old one out!

The problem was the plumbing at the base of the faucet which extends down through the hole in the sink frame has a circular threaded nut which screws up to the bottom of the sink hole to hold the faucet in place. In my case the nut had two set screws whose purpose was to keep the nut from coming loose. One of the set screws was behind the edge of the counter top where the sink sets through the counter. After about an hour of effort in the confined space under the sink, I finally decided to try my Dremel tool with a tiny rotating bit to grind away enough of the counter material so that I could unscrew the setscrew and then unscrew the retaining nut. By this time my kidneys were in pain from lying over the bottom edge of the "toe kick" frame at the base of the sink cabinet. After removing the old faucet, installing the new Moen was a snap because the "squirt hose" connected to the base of the faucet receptacle by simply pushing the pieces together until you heard

a "snap," meaning a good connection. The hot and cold water supply hoses were long enough to attach directly to the water shut offs with no intermediary connections.

As of Sunday afternoon, my kidneys are feeling some better, but it is still hard to straighten up after bending over!

Upton

By Joe Bernier



Breakfast at the Ladies Aid was great and the camaraderie was better.

In my opinion, so far this year the breakfasts have not been very well attended. Please come join us for breakfast and contribute to an organization that does a lot for the community.

As I write this on Monday, the meteorologists are predicting a major storm for tomorrow into Wednesday. Perhaps they will guess correctly this time and we will receive our first real storm for the winter.

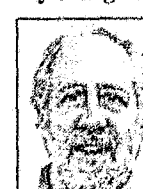
Some people in town have complained that my snow dancing has not been successful. I replied that they are welcome to join in and help. It seems they have.

Charlie the Groomer has been out grooming the trails. The combination of his labors and the coming snow should bring The State Line Snowmobile trails up to their usual great condition.

Please call 533-2010 or e-mail backstjoeg@gmail.com with your news.

Newry

By Doug Webster



Well, looks like winter's wrath is coming back this week! As I write this, the storm ap-

proaches; as you read, you've probably just got done digging out. It is a well-needed and well-timed storm; the cities will also get snow, which is almost as important as us getting it. Once the regular masses see the white stuff in their back yards, it triggers the circuit to go skiing and recreating. Sometimes they forget that there is snow in the mountains. The skiers that can't wait for the first snowflake every year, they come on schedule, no matter what. But a big snowstorm that hits the cities and suburbs, that brings out all the "regular" people. They see that beautiful snow outside and picture themselves carving effortlessly down a virgin snow-covered trail with not a soul around—like some sort of skiing video. So they grab whatever skis and other outdated equipment they have in the garage, throw it all in the car, and head up to the mountains. Hopefully

with the lower gas prices we can get day-trippers to come back and enjoy the recreating and amenities we have to offer.

The Town Office would like to thank everyone who has come in to license dogs. Laura appreciates it. She hates to have to charge the late fee; she said there are only a few left. I just realized I am one of them.

The Select Board decided to hold a public hearing on Feb. 17 at 6:00 at the Town Office. The hearing will be a time for the public to review some minor changes to the Unified Development Review Ordinance, changes to the structure of the Planning Board, and anything else that needs to be talked about before the Town Meeting.

Newry Fire Chief Bruce Pierce reported that the fire department budget would be down from the previous year. The department recently gained two members. Pierce said

he is feeling good about the staff and the status of the department. It was announced that the final payment for the fire truck was being made. The big ladder truck has been a great asset to the community.

Rough estimates for the fixing and paving of the outer Sunday River Road seem to be around \$900,000 according to CEO Dave Bonney. Brooks Morton suggested that the town have a straw poll on election day, giving citizens a few different options on how to finance the Sunday River Road.

Make plans for the annual Windy Valley Snowmobile Club's Oyster Stew and Spaghetti Dinner—lots of great food and family fun. Bring the whole family for an inexpensive and delicious dinner on Feb. 21 at 6 p.m. at the Newry Grange Hall.

As always, please send me your news, especially if you do not like mine, dwebster@megalink.net.

Telstar Freshman Academy news



Among the Habits of Mind TFA students are learning about is "thinking interdependently." Here, they play Pigs in a Pen. The students have four "pens" or circles of webbing and 9 "pigs," or balls. The goal of the activity is to think outside the box to find ways to rearrange the pigs and pens to have an odd number of pigs in each pen. Submitted photo

On Jan. 20 Telstar High School's ninth grade students started their second semester of study at the Telstar Freshman Academy (TFA), based at the University of Maine 4H Camp & Learning Center at Bryant Pond (BP4H).

During the fall semester, students participated in a "soft start" of the program, attending a few days of integrated learning at BP4H. This semester, from 8 a.m. to noon, Monday to Thursday, all ninth grade students are involved in proficiency-based integrated learning experiences at BP4H. The TFA team continues the same curriculum on Fridays, but at Telstar High School.

The TFA team is excited for the opportunity to connect Telstar with the resources of the University of Maine to bring the highest quality education to all of the 9th grade students in SAD 44, preparing them for success at THS and beyond.

The unique and innovative units of study at the TFA are the result of many hours of collaborative planning by a team of dedicated educators from THS and BP4H. The first unit of study in this new learning environment for our freshmen is organized around the "16 Habits of Mind" that are essential for success at THS and beyond. These Habits of Mind are "the characteristics of what intelligent people do when they are confronted with problems, the resolutions to which are not immediately apparent" (Costa and Kallick, 2000).

Stay tuned for a new TFA program website, which will be used to keep parents and community members informed about the progress at the TFA throughout the year. For more information about the program, contact Melissa Prescott, TFA program director -prescotm@sad44.org.



BEHIND THE COUNTER—Margaret Mills of Greenwood greets customers at the Main Street, Bethel store location of Maine Line Products. The best part of the job, she says, is "meeting the people." And she meets visitors from all over the world as they vacation in the Bethel area. Mills said she enjoys their reactions to some of the more unique items sold at the store, such as moose drop earrings and weathersticks. There are plenty of local customers too. "I have one lady who likes to come in for her maple drop candy," she said. Mills has worked at the store for about two and a half years. (Note: Any area businesses that would like to have a photo featuring an employee "Behind the Counter" may call the Citizen at 824-2444 or e-mail news@bethelcitizen.com.) A. Aloisio

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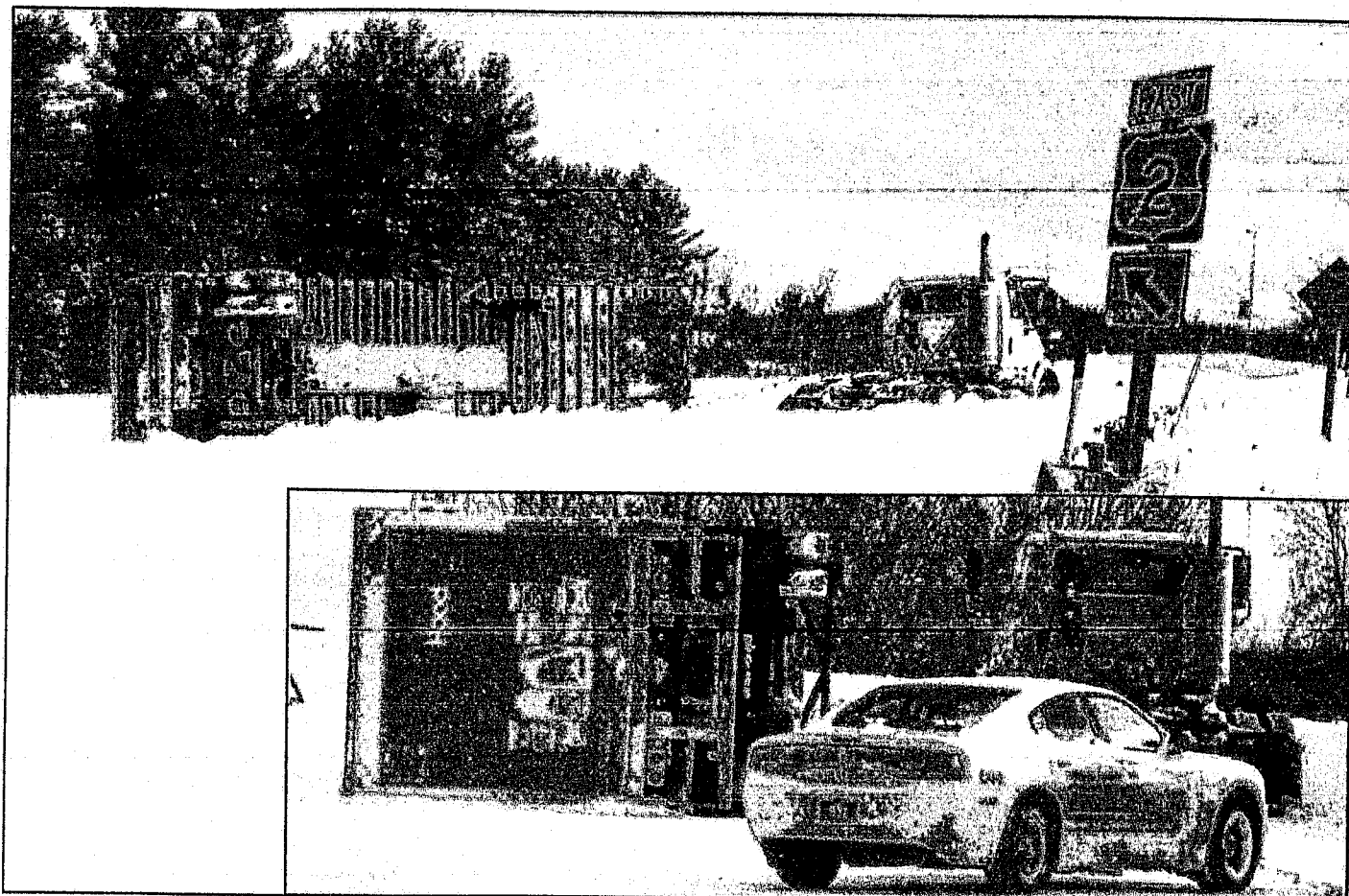
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SPILLED MILK?—On Wednesday morning this tractor trailer lost its trailer just as it crossed the Route 2 overpass in Bethel. The trailer tipped over, and the Oxford County Sheriff's and Bethel Fire departments rerouted traffic for about four hours. No further details were available at press time. In the afternoon, another tractor trailer jackknifed on Route 2 in Gilead.

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Take your sweetheart on a snowshoe walk

"More Reasons to Play Outside" — that's how the organizers of the Great Maine Outdoor Weekend describe the twice-annual events that encourage people to be active all over the state of Maine. The next Great Maine Outdoor Weekend is Feb. 13-15. On Saturday, Feb. 14 the Mahoosuc Land Trust and Western Mountains Senior College invite you to Take Your Sweetheart into the Woods on a snowshoe walk in Andover. Meet at the Land Trust office at 9:30 a.m. to carpool or at Akers Ski barn in Andover at 10 a.m. The barn is located on Akers Way, off Church Street in Andover.

During the walk, Rick Churchill will share his unique insights on the wonders of nature. Once everyone is filled with fresh air and new knowledge you're invited to return to Akers' barn for a fire, hot chocolate and a

chili lunch.

The Mahoosuc Land Trust is an accredited community land trust encouraging public interest in conservation in central Oxford County and eastern Coos County, N.H., supporting a balance of growth and conservation and emphasizing sustainable and traditional land uses. For more information, visit www.mahoosuc.org or call 207-824-3806. The mission of the Western Mountains Senior College is to support lifelong learners in their quest for new knowledge and experience. Visit their blog at <http://wmscollege.blogspot.com/>. Delighted to collaborate in sponsoring this event, both organizations are eager to see lots of folks at the Feb. 14 walk.

To discover other activities around the state, check out Great Maine Outdoor Weekend: <http://greatmaineoutdoorweekend.org/>.

Sports



High School Nordic Skiing

4.78k Freestyle at Roberts' Farm; Jan. 21 — The Telstar Nordic Team competed against Oxford Hills, Dirigo and Monmouth Academy. The boys' team came in 2nd overall. Boys' results: 2. Kellen True 13:03, 5. Liam Gallagher 13:29, 7. Gregory Wheeler 14:06, 15. Gaelen Boyle-Wight 15:50, 17. Josh Eliot 16:15, 18. Elijah Laird 16:16. Girls' results: 3. Gabi Stone 15:53 and 8. Kaitlyn Brown 17:29.

White Mountain Classic 30k, Jackson, N.H.; Jan. 24 — The entire team consisting of Gabi Stone, Liam Gallagher, Gregory Wheeler, Carla Boyle-Wight, Kaitlyn Brown, Josh Eliot, Kellen True, Elijah Laird, Marta Opie, Gaelen Boyle-Wight and coaches Wade Kavanaugh and Sarah Southam completed the event. This was a significant accomplishment for the team to do an event of this length. Congratulations! We were joined there by the Gould team and other Bethel Outing Club skiers. The grand total for Bethel skiers at the event was 39.

Middle School Nordic Skiing

Titcomb Hill; Jan. 10 — The team placed 7th overall of 9 teams at Titcomb Hill in Farmington. Girls' results: Izzy Chase 4th, Dylan Duclos 49th, Chaia Alford, 51st, Livia Doucette 59th and Ava Doucette 60th. Boys' results: Ricco Call 35th and Wyatt Thielbar 53rd. Thank you Raechal Miller for taking great photos!

Titcomb Hill; Jan. 24 — Boys: Ricco Call 10 and Wyatt Thielbar 43. Girls 4th team over all. Izzy Chase 3rd, Dylan Duclos 31, Victoria Hamel 38, Chaia Alford 46, Ava Doucette 47, Raechal Miller 49, Livia Doucette 50.

Mountain Valley Rec Basketball League

Ranor Mechanical (6-1) retained a solid hold of second place by beating Jay, 86-82 with a makeshift group of 5. Ranor who had 3 of its starters unavailable relied heavily on their two big men, Shawn Spadea and Nate Carson, who threw in 35 and 38 points respectively. Carson also had 5 threes. Fill-in Ted Saboon helped out with 14 points. A bewildered Jay team (1-6), who perhaps should have taken advantage of the situation, was led by Zeth Reilly with 34 points and 7 threes, Dave St. Germain with 21, Eric Germelli with 16 and Tim Turner with 11. In other action, The Matterhorn won the battle with Bethel and posted an 84-67 victory giving them sole possession of third place at 4-3, while Bethel drops to 3-4. Matterhorn was paced by 5 double figure scorers, Glen Dubois with 19 (5 threes) points, Kindall Bosnell 16, Matt Newell 15 and Steve Lizotte and Peter Chase with 10 points each. Ryan Savage led Bethel with 24 points and was supported by Ryan Kimball's 16. Also, Archie's (3-4) forfeited to front runner LBI (6-0). This Sunday, Feb. 1, Ranor plays Neptune at 10 a.m., LBI and Bethel play at 11:30, followed by Archie's and Jay at 1 p.m.



SAD 44 ADULT ED GRADS—The SAD 44 Adult Education Department recently held its graduation ceremony. Pictured are, from left: Dylan Helms, Ashlyn Bell, Ellis Williams, Autumn Fournier, Ryan Philbrick, Kayla Leville, Josh Lane along with their teacher Lois Ruff.

Submitted photo

School Lunch

SAD 44 Elementary School Lunches Jan. 29 to Feb. 6

Thursday: Turkey and gravy on bread slices or Sun Butter and jelly sandwich, glazed carrots, cranberry sauce.

Friday: Maxx cheese sticks or Sun Butter and Fluff sandwich, steamed broccoli, Kids Snack.

Monday: Chicken patty with bun or Sun Butter and jelly sandwich, rice pilaf.

Tuesday: Hot dog in roll or Sun Butter and jelly sandwich, baked beans, cabbage and carrot slaw.

Wednesday: Maxx Cheese Sticks with dipping sauce or Sun Butter and jelly sandwich, spinach and fruit salad.

Thursday: Mac and cheese or Sun Butter and jelly sandwich, ham.

Friday: Fish nuggets or Sun Butter and Fluff sandwich, potato wedges, broccoli and cheese.

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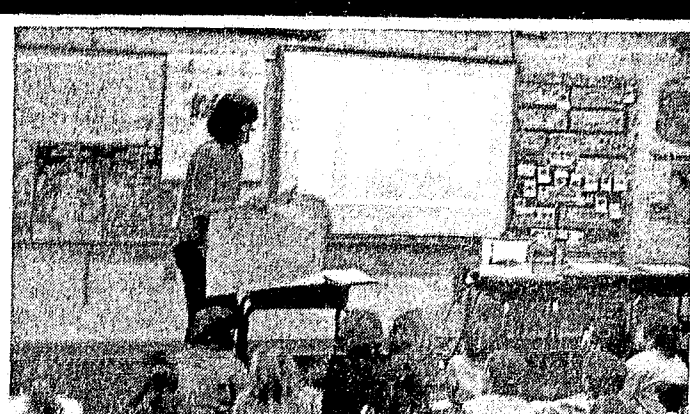
CRESCENT PARK ELEMENTARY



Students from the CPS band and chorus entertained the Bethel Senior Citizens at the Bethel Inn recently. Teachers Linda Stowell and Duncan MacFarland accompanied the students.



5th grade students working on their laptops creating comic book slide shows culminating a lesson in conjunctions.



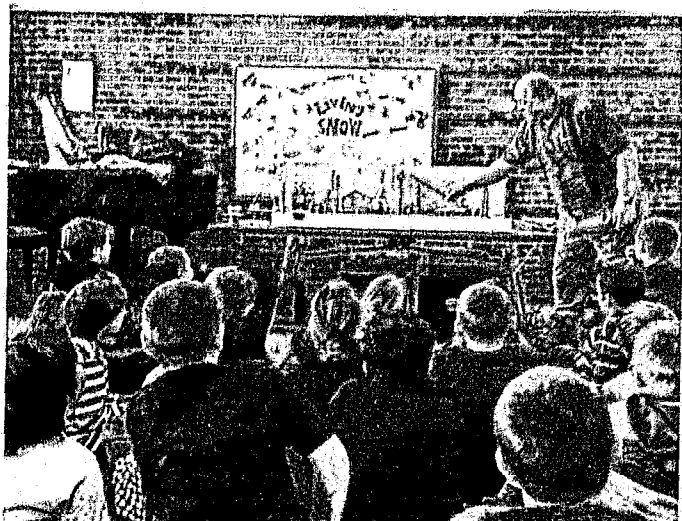
CPS teacher Alice Lee recently set up a Skype lesson with an explorer from London, who spent three months in the Arctic. "He told us about many of his adventure. One of the second graders favorite stories was that he was 8 feet away from a Narwhal whale. He also saw an 18 ft. jellyfish (I looked it up to make sure they exist). On one adventure he slipped on the ice and had to use duct tape to hold his injury together till he could get medical treatment. He is heading to Africa in April and we plan to Skype again during his travels."



Alice Lee's CPS class entered the Sara Steele calendar contest in December. Ms. Steele is an artist from Philadelphia. She sent us some of her old calendars and we made decorations with them and entered them in a contest on Pinterest, and we won! We received the most pins. She sent all the students her 2015 calendar and a framed piece of art for the classroom.



The CPS 5th grade officers "power lunching" to discuss ideas and the format for The Student Council Suggestion Box. They are hoping for great ideas about school spirit, class challenges, and various other school-related improvements.



CMP recently came to CPS and presented the Safety City workshop to the fourth grade, to teach students about energy and how to stay safe around electricity.



CPS fourth-graders recently visited the Maine State House, as well as the state museum.

WOODSTOCK ELEMENTARY



These nine students at Woodstock Elementary School participated in the school-level of the National Geography Bee. front row: Grade 4 Allen White, Gabrielle Groves 2nd row: Grade 4 Camron Palmer, Colby Hastings, Madisyn MacKillop, Levi Ashley-McDonnell 3rd row: Grade 5 Trenton Swallow, Grace Boothby, Natasha Mason



Charles Calderwood and Allen White, fourth graders at Woodstock Elementary School are working on their Maine Timelines.



Second grade classrooms just received their new iPads the week after the holiday vacation. Pictured trying them out from left to right are: Tylie Herring, Isabella Brown and Nikolas Colby.

ANDOVER ELEMENTARY



Andover Elementary School students enjoy an afternoon of cross-country skiing. Hitting the trails with the students are coach John Emery and a group of volunteers.

Photo: Amber Cooper

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SCORE: Personal touch goes a long way

You've no doubt seen people so absorbed with their smartphones or computers that they appear oblivious to what's going on around them. Of course, everyone is entitled to privacy, and perhaps that message or video really is that important. However, spending too much time in a "heads-down" mode can be off-putting and, sometimes counterproductive.

Many entrepreneurs, including those who work from home, operate their small businesses much the same way when they rely too heavily on email to communicate with clients. Email is convenient, particularly for work-related issues and updates, but numerous studies have come to the same conclusion - customers want to be treated as people, not as return email addresses.

When you take a technology-centric approach to communication, you're missing an opportunity to foster a relationship with your customers, a quality that is becoming increasingly critical when deciding who to do business with. Customers

do business with people that they know, like and trust. It is difficult to create those relationships without personal contact.

"Sixty percent of communication is non-verbal, 20 percent is tone of voice," says Sam Richter, an internationally recognized expert and author on sales and marketing. "That means only 20 percent is actual content. So if you're doing email only, you're losing 80 percent of your communication."

That's why it's a good idea for business owners to pick up the phone every now and then and talk with customers. The idea isn't to fish for work, but rather to check-in and see how they're doing, and talk a little shop. That connection may or may not result in new work immediately, but it's sure to leave a positive impression with your customers.

Just make sure the reason for calling is relevant, particularly if you find yourself leaving a voice mail. "Think about how busy you are, and what you want and don't want to hear in a voice message," advises Richter.

Here are some other sug-

gestions for adding a personal touch to your customer interactions:

- **Make a date.** Arrange a time to meet in person at a mutually convenient location, close to the customer or at the customer's place of business. Ideally, you want to do this as early in your work with the client as possible to discuss processes and expectations. But any opportunity to meet and catch up is a good one.

- **Write a note.** When you learn of good news about your customers or their organization, send them a handwritten note of congratulations. Even a few sentences expressing heartfelt feelings are sure to make you and your business memorable.

- **Follow them.** Social media has lived up to its name, adding some personal-ity to our online connections. Make it a point to follow your customers' Twitter feeds and blogs, and weigh in on discussions as appropriate. Also, use these connections to forward timely articles on industry-related issues, and your customer's personal

interests. Don't be condescending; insincere flattery and blatant attempts to earn someone's favor can quickly turn a valued acquaintance into an unwanted annoyance.

- **Do some networking.** Seek out opportunities to interact with customers and potential customers. Things like Chamber Business After-Hours and other community activities are recurring opportunities to enhance those

personal relationships with customers and potential customers.

SCORE believes there is nothing more important than communicating with customers both in person and through the use of technology tools. Understanding what is important to your customer puts you in a unique position to help them by providing your expertise, products and services.

Oxford Hills SCORE is

available to help you develop a marketing plan for your business. Call SCORE at 743-0499 for a free confidential consultation on marketing or other business needs. For more information, visit www.oxfordhills.score.org.

Note: This topic was selected for publication from the SCORE archive of resource materials by Barry Patrie, Oxford Hills SCORE small business mentor.

Help Hope Assn. get a \$5,000 grant

Hope Association has been selected for inclusion on Bangor Savings Bank Foundation's 2015 Community Matters More ballot. As one of 68 Maine organizations listed on the ballot, Hope Association will receive a \$1,000 grant and will be in the running for a top award of \$5,000.

Through Community Matters More, Maine's largest independent bank offers all Maine residents the opportunity to weigh in on how best to allocate \$100,000 the bank has pledged to give to 68 Maine nonprofit orga-

nizations. Last year, over 86,000 Mainers voted in Community Matters More.

Hope Association is a private, non-profit corporation that has been serving individuals with intellectual and related disabilities in the Greater Rumford area since 1956. The focus of our services is person-centered; helping individuals to stretch and grow in all life areas. We have also assisted individuals with various disabilities find and maintain employment since 2001.

The voting takes place

during the month of February with winners announced in April.

We would really appreciate your vote to help us win the \$5,000. Remember only one vote per person will be accepted. Please stop by Bangor Savings Bank or visit www.bangor.com/cmm to cast your ballot. Paper ballots are also available at Hope Association.

Again, thank you for your continued support and please vote and spread the word.

Only votes in the month of February are counted.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

District Exchange; Bethel Park, 23 Mason Street, Bethel. Hours: Monday 1 to 4 p.m., Thursday 4 to 6 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Donations of gently-used clothing only accepted during open hours - No exceptions. FMI: 824-4090. Clothing may also be left at Northeast Bank, Main Street, Bethel Monday through Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Thursday and Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Saturday 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

Bethel Area Food Pantry; serving the residents of Albany, Andover, Bethel, East Bethel, West Bethel, Bryant Pond, Gilead, Greenwood, Hanover, Locke's Mills, Mason Township, Newry, Upton and Woodstock. The Food Pantry is open on the second Monday of each month from noon to 8 p.m. Anyone in need of food should come during those hours, without appointment. The Food pantry is located in the basement of the Nazarene Church, 16 Church Street, Bethel, by the side entrance on Park Street.

Felted Art Exhibit; The Norway Memorial Library invites the public to view a felted art exhibit by Marty Elkin of A Wrinkle in Thyme Farm through February 2015 during the library's open hours. Elkin's felted art is inspired by her work on the farm, nature, and animals. All the wool used in the art work is from the farm's sheep and Elkin dyes the wool herself. For more information please visit the library's web site www.norway.lib.me.us or call at 743-5309 ext. 1.

"Civil War Stories" Book Discussion; A book discussion on "Civil War Stories" by Ambrose Bierce will take place at the Bethel Library Feb. 4 and March 4 at 7 p.m., led by Doug Rawlings, representing the Maine Historical Society and The Maine Humanities Council. Books are available at the Bethel Library. The discussion is part of the "Local & Legendary: Maine in the Civil War" project, a joint effort by Gould Academy, the Bethel Historical Society and the Bethel Library Association.

Thursday, Jan. 29

Open Mic/Pizza Night with the Shadagee Ramblers; 6 p.m., Loose Boots Lounge, Mt. Abram.

Saturday, Jan. 31

Felting Class; 11:30 a.m., Old Squire's Farm Market, 493 Main Street, Norway. Bethany and Stella Shaw will present a felting class - an excellent learning experience for adults and children.

Retirement Party/Gathering for Rev. Jane C. Rich; 1 p.m., First Congregational Church. Join Rev. Rich for appetizers and desserts to commemorate her 23 years of service.

Julie and Brownie Diversity Concert; 2 p.m., St. Kieran Community Center for the Arts, 155 Emery Street, Berlin, N.H. This show provides a musical look at diversity and acceptance of others. Tickets: \$12/adults, \$8/minors. FMI: www.stkieranarts.org.

Full Moon Hike; 5:30 to 8 p.m., Mt. Abram. Mt. Abram staff will transport skis and boards to the top so participants can enjoy the hike to the top and then ski/ride to the bottom by the light of the full moon. Post-hike music with Chad Porter begins at 8 p.m. in Loose Boots Lounge.

Live Music with the Jim Gallant Band; 6 to 9 p.m., Black Mountain Ski Resort, Rumford. A talented guitarist, whose repertoire ranges from classical guitar to blues, jazz and country, Jim is sure to delight a crowd. Jim has been featured on WCSH 6's 207 and has performed throughout New England.

Jones Dance Band; 7 to 10 p.m., Legion Hall, Church Street, South Paris. Adults/\$5. Playing old-fashioned dance music.

Monday, Feb. 2

Essentials of College Planning for adults 19 and over; 10 a.m., Western Maine University and Community College Center, South Paris. FMI/Registration: 1-800-281-3703 or <http://meoc.maine.edu>. Free and open to the public.

Socrates Café Meeting; 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., Watford Library. Topic: Does climate change change everything? Moderator: Bart Hague. Light refreshments provided. FMI: 583-6957.

Thursday, Feb. 5

To Your Health Program on Valvular Heart Disease; 4:30 to 6 p.m., Bethel Congregational Church, Church Street. Dr. Daniel E. vanBuren, Board Certified, will discuss heart condition which involves one or more valves of the heart and typically affects people after the age of 50. Sponsored by Western Mountains Senior College. The public is invited and admission is free. Light refreshments. FMI con-

tact R. Tiffit at 824-2053.

Open Mic/Pizza Night with the Shadagee Ramblers; 6 p.m., Loose Boots Lounge, Mt. Abram.

Saturday, Feb. 7

Raising Spinach in Winter; 11:30 a.m., Old Squire's Farm Market 493 Main Street, Norway. Presented by Peter Coleman.

White Grass Festival; Mt. Abram. An absolute can't miss. The only live bluegrass festival on snow in Maine. Live bluegrass bands all day. Main lodge: Grassholes 12 to 2 p.m.; Jerks of Grass 3 to 5 p.m.; Milltown Roadshow 6 to 8 p.m. Westside lodge: Jerks of Grass 12 to 1:30 p.m.

Woodstock Bicentennial Kickoff; 1 to 3 p.m., Woodstock Fire Station. Come join your neighbors in recreating the first town meeting for Woodstock that took place 200 years ago! Plans for the larger June 20 celebration will also be discussed.

Live Music with the Jim Gallant Band; 2 to 5 p.m., Black Mountain Ski Resort, Rumford. A talented guitarist, whose repertoire ranges from classical guitar to blues, jazz and country, Jim is sure to delight a crowd. Jim has been featured on WCSH 6's 207 and has performed throughout New England.

Live Music with Skosh; 6 to 9 p.m., Black Mountain Ski Resort, Rumford. Influenced by the likes of Lynyrd Skynyrd, Pink Floyd, Grateful Dead, J. Geils, & Phish, this 5 piece rock, funk, Ska band is sure to rock your ski socks off!

Sunday, Feb. 8

40th Annual Hope Assn. Ride-In; 12:30 to 2 p.m., Horizons Unlimited, 318 Swain Road, Rumford. Raffle tickets \$1 for one, \$5 for 6 - prizes will be drawn at 1:30 p.m. Hot buffet dinner. FMI: 364-4561 or www.hopeassociation.org.

Wednesday, Feb. 11

Facebook, Instagram Workshop; 9 to 10:30 a.m., the Bethel Inn Resort. Community Concepts Finance Corp. is offering a workshop entitled "Content Marketing 101: Using Facebook and Instagram to Tell Your Story." \$25 for members of Oxford County chambers of commerce and business associations, \$30 for nonprofits and businesses that are not chamber members. FMI/Registration: www.wmedc.org or Mia Purcell (739-6543 or mpurcell@community-concepts.org).

Bethel Senior Citizens Meeting/Potluck; 11 a.m., Bethel Methodist Church, Main Street, Bethel. Please bring a dish to share and an item for the auction. Election of officers will be held. Dues (\$3) are due.

MLT "This is Your Backyard" Presentation; 7 p.m., McLaughlin Auditorium, Gould Academy. Mike Novellow, Renewable Energy Analyst, and Gordon Gamble, Director of Community Relations, will present "This is Your Neighborhood Wind Farm," an introduction to the Record Hill Wind Farm located in Roxbury. FMI: 824-3806.

Thursday, Feb. 12

Open Mic/Pizza Night with the Shadagee Ramblers; 6 p.m., Loose Boots Lounge, Mt. Abram.

Saturday, Feb. 14

Larry Mercier Memorial Ice Fishing Derby; Roxbury Pond. Rain date, Feb. 15. The grand prize is \$2,000 for the lucky angler who catches the tagged fish. Other prizes are awarded for the Pickerel, Bass, Trout and Perch catches. Lunch will be available.

Sweetheart Snowshoe Walk; 10 a.m., Akers Ski Barn, Andover. Those wishing to carpool may meet at the Mahoosuc land trust office at 9:30 a.m. During the walk, Rich Churchill will share his unique insights on the wonders of nature. Following the walk, participants are invited to return to Akers' barn for a fire, hot chocolate and chili lunch. FMI: 824-3806.

Healing Naturally with Herbs, Spices and Foods; 11:30 a.m., Old Squire's Farm Market, 493 Main Street, Norway. Presented by Suzanne Dunham.

Annual Valentine's Day Tea; 1 to 3 p.m., United Methodist Church, 79 Main Street, Bethel. Music and refreshments. Everyone welcome.

8th Annual Chairlift Speed Dating Event; 2 to 4 p.m. (registration starts at 12:30), Black Mountain, Jackson, N.H. Participation is free, but participants are required to have a lift ticket or season's pass in order to ride the lift (full day lift tickets are \$55, half day lift tickets are \$38). FMI: www.Blackmt.com or 603-883-4490.

Sunday, Feb. 15

Roxbury Snowmobilers Wind Tower Ride; 8 a.m. registration, 10 a.m. ride. Fee: \$10 (\$8 for club members and early registration), includes a lunch of hot dogs, chili and a drink. FMI: Richard Merrill (392-3481).

Cabin Fever Follies: The Sound of the Movies; 2 p.m., St. Kieran Community Center for the Arts, 155 Emery Street, Berlin, N.H. Local musicians performing songs from the silver screen. Tickets: \$12/adults, \$8/minors. FMI: (603) 752-1028 or information@stkieranarts.org.

Wednesday, Feb. 18

Fullset: The Finest in Irish Traditional Music; 7 p.m., St. Kieran Community Center for the Arts, 155 Emery Street, Berlin, N.H. Tickets: \$15. FMI: (603) 752-1028 or information@stkieranarts.org.

Thursday, Feb. 19

Open Mic/Pizza Night with the Shadagee Ramblers; 6 p.m., Loose Boots Lounge, Mt. Abram.

Saturday, Feb. 21

Running a Sustainable Dairy; 11:30 a.m., Old Squire's Farm Market, 493 Main Street Norway. Presented by Heidi Durgin.

Sunday, Feb. 22

Funky Divas of Gospel; 2 p.m., St. Kieran Community Center for the Arts, 155 Emery Street, Berlin, N.H. Tickets: \$15/adults, \$10/minors. FMI: (603) 752-1028 or information@stkieranarts.org.

Monday, Feb. 23

Essentials of College Planning for adults 19 and over; 10 a.m., Western Maine University and Community College Center, South Paris. FMI/Registration: 1-800-281-3703 or <http://meoc.maine.edu>. Free and open to the public.

Thursday, Feb. 26

Open Mic/Pizza Night with the Shadagee Ramblers; 6 p.m., Loose Boots Lounge, Mt. Abram.

Saturday, Feb. 28

Full Moon Hike; 5:30 to 8 p.m., Mt. Abram. Mt. Abram staff will transport skis and boards to the top so participants can enjoy the hike to the top and then ski/ride to the bottom by the light of the full moon. Post-hike music with Skosh begins at 8 p.m. in Loose Boots Lounge.

Thursday, March 5

Open Mic/Pizza Night with the Shadagee Ramblers; 6 p.m., Loose Boots Lounge, Mt. Abram.

Saturday, March 7

American Legion Post 72 Indoor Yard Sale; 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Church Street, South Paris. To reserve your table, call Jean (743-7965). Yard sale tables are \$10, vendor tables are \$15. Lunch counter will be open, 50/50 raffle and raffle baskets. Come join the fun and help support the ladies auxiliary send three young ladies to Girl State.

Sunday, March 15

The Asylum Quartet; 2 p.m., St. Kieran Community Center for the Arts, 155 Emery Street, Berlin, N.H. Award-winning saxophone chamber group. Tickets: \$12/adults, \$8/minors. FMI: (603) 752-1028 or information@stkieranarts.org.

Saturday, April 11

American Legion Post 72 Indoor Yard Sale; 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Church Street, South Paris. To reserve your table, call Jean (743-7965). Yard sale tables are \$10, vendor tables are \$15. Lunch counter will be open, 50/50 raffle and raffle baskets. Come join the fun and help support the ladies auxiliary send three young ladies to Girl State.

Saturday, May 9

American Legion Post 72 Indoor Yard Sale; 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Church Street, South Paris. To reserve your table, call Jean (743-7965). Yard sale tables are \$10, vendor tables are \$15. Lunch counter will be open, 50/50 raffle and raffle baskets. Come join the fun and help support the ladies auxiliary send three young ladies to Girl State.

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Regular meetings and events

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Bethel Selectmen: Second Monday of the month, 7 p.m., Town Office.
Bethel Planning Board: Second and fourth Wednesdays of the month, 7 p.m., Town Office.
Bethel Water District: Third Tuesday of the month, 7 p.m., Town Office.
Gilead Selectmen: Second Wednesdays of the month, 6 p.m., Town Office.
Gilead Planning Board: First Thursdays of the month, 7 p.m., Town Office.
Greenwood Selectmen: First and third Tuesdays of the month, 5 p.m., Town Office.
Hanover Selectmen: Third Tuesday of the month, 6 p.m. unless otherwise posted.
Hanover Planning Board: First Wednesday, 6 p.m.
Newry Selectmen: First and third Tuesdays of the month, 5 p.m., Town Office.
Newry Planning Board: First and third Wednesdays of the month, 7 p.m., Town Office.
Woodstock Selectmen: First and third Tuesdays, 5 p.m., Town Office.
Woodstock Planning Board: First and third Tuesdays, 7 p.m., Town Office.
SAD 44 School Board: Second Monday of the month, 6:30 p.m., Telstar High School (occasionally meet at other schools; call 824-2185 for info).

ORGANIZATIONS

Andover
 Sundays, 6 p.m. Andover School Withdrawal Committee meets.
 Mondays and Tuesdays, 4:30 p.m.-Andover Fitness Club, Andover Elementary School gym.
Bethel
 First Sunday of month, 7 p.m. - Bethel Snow Twisters at 208 Walkers Mills Rd.
 Third Sunday of each month, 9 a.m. - Breakfast open to the public at no charge at Bethel Church of the Nazarene.
 Tuesdays, 5:30 p.m. - Bethel Bicycle/Western Maine Velo road cycling rides, departing from Bethel Bicycle. Please call 824-0100 for more information and/or go to our FB page, all rides are posted there.
 First Wednesday, 6:30-8 p.m. - Lyme Disease Support & Education Group at Beacon House Peer Center, 3 Canal St. Rumford. FMI: 357-1926 or 824-3076. (Note: the Bethel meeting has been discontinued until spring)
 Third Wednesday, 6:30-8 p.m. - Lyme Disease Support & Education Group at Telstar High School Library (currently discontinued until spring). FMI: 357-1926 or 824-3076.
 Last Wednesday of the month, 4:30 to 6 p.m. - Community Supper at Bethel Alliance Church. No charge. FMI: 207-824-2289.
 Thursdays, 10 to 11 a.m. - Story Time for Children at Bethel Library (story plus craft) with participating mothers. October thru April. FMI: call 824-2520.
 Second Thursday of the month, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; fourth Thursday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. - Cross Country Quilters of Pine Tree Quilt Guild of Maine meet at the Alliance Church on Route 26 in Bethel. All quilters welcome. FMI: e-mail Pat McCartney at p_quilts@yahoo.com or call 836-3575.
Greenwood
 Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. - Outdoor Market at Northern Roots Grow Supply, 3 Bird Hill Rd., Greenwood. Vendors welcome at no charge. Until early September.
Woodstock
 Second Saturday of month, 6 p.m. - Woodstock Historical Society meeting at the Museum.

Norway/Paris/West Paris

Tuesdays 7:30 to 8:30 p.m.-West Paris Baptist Church group to foster wellness for anyone searching for faith based support. The group is intended for those facing the challenges of grief, loss, addiction, codependency, and abuse issues. Light refreshments will be provided.
 Third Wednesday of the month, Women's Imaging Center, Stephens Memorial Hospital, Norway, offering professional prosthetic and bra fittings for women on For appointment call 743-5993 Ext. 6851.
 Second Thursday of the month, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the Harper Conference Center, Ripley Medical Office Building, 193 Main Street, Norway. Staying on Your Feet, a free one-time course for adults aged 60 and over. Course includes balance screening, blood pressure check, leg-strength measurement, and education on staying fit.
 Fridays 9:15 a.m. - Oxford Hills Duplicate Bridge, Norway. For more information, call Les Buzzell at 783-4153 or 754-9153; or e-mail: buzz116@myfairpoint.net.
Hebron
 Sundays 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. - Seasonal Public Skating, Robinson Arena, Hebron. Adults, \$3/Children 12 and under, \$2/WinterKids Passport holders, free. FMI: 966-2100.

Support services

SAFE Voices

Safe Voices serves all of Oxford County and provides emergency shelter, court advocacy and support groups with child care. Rumford office 369-0750; Norway office 743-5806; 24 hour hotline 1-800-559-2927

REACH

Rape Education and Crisis Hotline 1-800-871-7741. Sexual assault/sexual abuse hotline, same number. Support groups and awareness education, past or present victims of abuse.

AA Meetings/Addiction help

Bethel Freedom Group. Open Discussion Meeting, Saturdays at 4:30 in the Snow Cap Inn conference room, next to the fitness room. Sunday River. Seasonal, Thanksgiving through April 1. Big Book Meeting Sundays at 6 p.m. at the United Methodist Church, Main Street, 12 Step/Traditions Meeting Tuesdays at 6pm at the United Methodist Church, Main Street. Candlelight Discussion Meeting Fridays at 6 p.m. at Bethel United Methodist Church, Main Street.

People in recovery from alcohol/drug addiction may need to move to a Next Step group. Open to everyone who feels they may benefit from a change. FMI: Laurence Austin at 824-4077 (calls confidential)

Cancer Wellness

Support and Education for cancer patients, survivors and caregivers. Every Thursday, 1:30 to 3 p.m. Rumford Hospital, Room 357. (877) 336-7287. Call to confirm in stormy weather.

Exchanges/Pantries

Clothing Exchange

Bethel Park, 23 Mason Street, Bethel. Hours: Monday 1 to 4, Thursday 4 to 6, Saturday, 10 to 12. Donations of gently-used clothing only accepted during open hours. No exceptions. 824-4090. Clothing may also be dropped off at Northeast Bank on Main Street.

Food Pantry

The Bethel Food Pantry serves residents of Albany, Andover, Bethel, East Bethel, West Bethel, Bryant Pond, Gilead, Greenwood, Hanover, Locke's Mills, Mason Township, Newry, Upton, and Woodstock. The Food Pantry is open on the second Monday of each month from noon until 8 p.m. Anyone who needs food should come during those hours, without appointment. The Food Pantry is located in the basement of the Nazarene Church, 16 Church Street in Bethel by the side entrance on Park Street.

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Help for the Homeless

Rumford Group Homes, Inc. operates three homeless shelters, a Maternity Group Home program for homeless pregnant and parenting youth ages 18-21 and Case Management services. Emergency shelter services include the South Paris Men's Shelter, the Norway Family Center for women and their children and the Rumford Family Center for homeless families. To make a referral or to request assistance, please call 743-6363 in the Norway area or 369-9439 in the Rumford area Monday through Friday from 9am-5pm. For more information about Rumford Group Homes, Inc., call 364-3551 or visit www.rumfordgrouphomes.org.

Mental illness

Beacon House Social Club, 150 Congress Street, Rumford, a drop-in social club for adults suffering with mental, emotional, or physical illness, provides support, relaxation, and socialization. Monday 1 to 5 p.m.; Tuesday 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.; Wednesday 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Wednesday 3 to 8 p.m.; Friday 2 to 7 p.m.; Saturday 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oxford County Mental Health Services, support for adults and children with mental illness, same location, second floor, open Monday-Friday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, call 364-3549 or (800) 335-9999, or in off-hours 928-3222.

Veterans' Services

Maine Veterans Home, S. Paris, Veterans' Advocate visits first and third Wednesday each month, 9-12 noon (743-6300); Rumford 9 to 12 noon second Thursday at VA Clinic at 431 Franklin St. (369-3272). Maine Veterans' Services is located at 29 Westminster St., Lewiston (783-5306). (No visits in July)

Multiple services

Community Concepts provides Oxford County Head Start, childcare, free rides to Maine Care appointments, subsidized apartments (Bethel, Brownfield, Fryeburg, Norway, Rumford, South Paris), affordable home-ownership opportunities, homeless shelter and assistance with home heating or weatherizing. FMI: call (800) 866-5588 or visit www.community-concepts.org.

Alzheimer's Support

An Alzheimer's Support Group meets the 3rd Wednesday of every month from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at the Rumford Community Home located at 11 John F. Kennedy Lane. All are welcome. For more information call Sue Ellen Richardson, Social Service Director or Terry Drury, Residential Director at 364-7863.

Brain Injury support

Brain Injury Support Group for individuals with brain injuries and their families. West Side NeuroRehab, 618 Main St., Lewiston. First Monday of the month, 6 to 8 p.m. FMI: Deb Hammer 795-6110.

Library hours

Andover Library: Tuesday, Wednesday, and Saturday 1 to 4:30 pm; Thursday 1 to 4:30 & 6 to 8 p.m.
 Tel: 392-4841
 Bethel Library: Monday 9 to 1; Tuesday 1-5; Wednesday 1 to 8; Thursday & Friday 1 to 5 Saturday, 9 to 1. Story Hour Thursdays, 9 to 10 a.m., October to May. Tel: 824-2520.
 Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond: Tel: 665-2505. Tuesday and Thursday, 1 to 5 p.m.
 West Paris Library, West Paris: Monday 1:30 to 6; Wednesday 1:30 to 7; Friday 1:30 to 6; Saturday 10 to 2. Patty Makley, Librarian. Tel: 674-2004
 Gardner Roberts Memorial Library, Hanover: Wednesday, 9 to 3; Thursday, 5 to 8; Saturday, 9 to noon.
Calendar items: Calendar items may be brought to the Citizen office, e-mailed to news@bethelcitizen.com or faxed 824-2426. Deadline is Monday at Noon.

Church Services

ALBANY

Congregational Church - Hunts Corner, 9:30 a.m. Sunday worship and Sunday School at 9 a.m.; Pastor Laird Bean. Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Thursdays at the home of Fernand Corriveau.

ANDOVER

First Congregational Church - Rev. Jane Rich. Sunday morning worship 10 to 11 a.m. followed by brunch. All welcome. FMI: 392-3761.
Calvary Bible Church - Sunday School 9:30 a.m.; Sunday Worship 10:45 a.m.; Wednesday Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m. 1063 South Main St. 392-1121.

BETHEL

Bethel Alliance Church - 251 Walker's Mills Road, Rev. Kevin Bellinger, Senior Pastor and Nicholas Lutz, Youth Pastor. Sundays: 9 a.m. Sunday School for adults, teens and children; 10 a.m. Worship Service (Nursery care and Children's Church are available); 4:30-6 p.m. Kidz Klub (4 yrs-5th grade). Thursdays: 5-7 p.m. Middle and High School Youth Group. FMI: 207-824-2289.
Bethel Church of the Nazarene - 16 Church Street, Bethel. Sunday School, 9:30 (for all ages). Pastor Peter Carter. The third Sunday of every month at 9 a.m. breakfast open to the public, no charge. Morning Worship 10:30. Wednesday evening 6 p.m. Prayer and Bible Study. FMI, transportation or prayer please contact Elaine Carter 415-9136. or Juanita Korhonen 665-2528.
Roman Catholic Church of the Holy Savior, Our Lady of the Snows - 265 Walkers Mills Road (Route 26). Fr. Gregory Dube may be reached at the parish office 364-4556. Saturday Mass, 6 p.m. Announcements. FMI: 824-2933.
West Parish Congregational - Church Street, Rev. Richard Bennett. Sundays: 10 a.m. worship and Sunday School Sept.-May. Tuesdays: 8 a.m., informal Prayer Group with coffee in the Chapel. All are welcome. First Wednesday of the month: 8 a.m., Mens' Breakfast Group. Entrance in rear of church. All events open to everyone. This is an open and affirming congregation. FMI: 824-2689.
United Methodist - 79 Main Street, Pastor Carol Stevens. Sunday worship service 9 a.m. FMI: 824-2027.
West Bethel Union - Morning worship and 9 a.m. Sunday School. FMI: 836-3533.
Pleasant Valley Bible Pastor Dave Fraher. Sunday Services: Sunday School, 9 a.m.; Worship Service, 10 a.m. Ladies Bible study Tuesday, 2:30 p.m. Midweek Bible study and prayer, Wednesday 6 p.m. Awana Club Fridays 3:30 to 5 p.m. (Cubbies ages 3/4; Sparks Grades K-2; children may take bus from school). FMI: 836-2828. Visit us on our Facebook page.
Seventh Day Adventist Fellowship: Meets at the Nazarene Church on Saturdays, on Church Street in Bethel. Sabbath School 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m. FMI: 357-7814.

EAST STONEHAM

Oxford County United Parish Churches in Stoneham and North Waterford - Services at 10 a.m. at the North Waterford Congregational Church (UCC), located on the Five Kezars Road, off Routes 35 & 37, opposite

Melby's Market. (North Waterford and East Stoneham Congregational Churches will hold their joint services in the church on Route 5 in East Stoneham during May.) Services held at North Waterford through the winter months. Choir practice 9 a.m., followed by Bible Study at 9:15 a.m.

LOCKE'S MILLS

Locke Mills Union - Pastor Sondra Withey. Sunday Morning Service and Sunday School, 9 to 10 a.m. Choir practice at the church every Friday at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome. 875-3355.

NORTH WATERFORD/STONEHAM

Oxford County United Parish (North Waterford and East Stoneham) - Summer services at 9 a.m. in the North Waterford Church on Route 35 across from Melby's Eatery. On July 20 a special-and casual-church service will be held on the Fairgrounds during the Waterford World's Fair, with shuttle service available on site. In September, services will return to the East Stoneham Church, Route 5, and the regular hour of 10. All are welcome.

NORWAY/PARIS

First Church of Christ, Scientist - Sunday service 10 a.m., Wednesday Testimony service 7:30 p.m. 5 Morrill Rd/Rt. 118 (corner to Norway Country Club). Norway. Call 207-890-9944 FMI or ride.
Trinity Lutheran Church - Route 117, South Paris. Pastor Nancy Moore. Sunday morning service 11 a.m. with coffee, refreshments and good fellowship.
North Paris Federation - Morse Hill Road, North Paris. Sunday Service 8 a.m. Singspiration third Sunday each month alternating with West Paris Baptist Church at 7 p.m. FMI: 689-8000.
Oxford Hills Friends (Quakers) - Sunday worship 9:30 a.m. at HOPE Ripley Center, High Street, South Paris across the park from the Post Office. FMI: call Ursula Brandon at 665-2880 or Sue Reilly at 966-2012
Christ Episcopal Church - 35 Paris St., Norway. Services Sunday at 9 a.m. and Wednesday at 9 a.m. Holy Eucharist. 743-6782; e-mail christch@megalink.net.
First Baptist Church of Paris - On the Common at the top of Paris Hill. 10:30 a.m. worship service, Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. Coffee hour follows the service. Fellowship lunch held the first Sunday of each month following worship. Pastor Ron Blake. FMI 743-2491.
St. Catherine's - Saturday 4 p.m. Vigile Mass; Sunday 8:30 a.m. Mass. FMI 743-2806.
Unitarian Universalist Church of Norway - 11 a.m. worship. (Sept. - June) Child care is provided. Religious education classes 11 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. FMI 743-2828.

GORHAM, N.H.

Assembly of God - Pastor Paul Levigen. Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday service 10:30 a.m., Sunday evening service 7 p.m., Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.. FMI: 603-466-2851.
Gorham Congregational Church - Sunday morning worship, 10 a.m. All welcome; free coffee. Communion is celebrated the first Sunday of each month. FMI: 603-466-2136.

OXFORD

St. Mary's - Saturday 4 p.m. Vigile Mass. 276 King St. Oxford.
Our Lady of Ransom: Sunday 10:30 a.m. Mass.

RUMFORD

St. Barnabas Episcopal Church - Worship Service, 9:30 a.m. Special holidays will be announced. Stone church at the rotary. 364-2193.
Roman Catholic Church of the Holy Savior, St. Athanasius and St. John - 125 Main Ave. Monday Liturgy of the word 8 a.m., St. Athanasius and St. John's, Rumford; Tuesday Mass 6:30 p.m., St. Athanasius and St. John's, Rumford; Wednesday Liturgy of the word 8 a.m., St. Athanasius and St. John's, Rumford; Wednesday Mass 9 a.m., Our Lady of the Snows, Bethel; Thursday Mass 8 a.m., St. Athanasius and St. John's, Rumford; Friday Mass 8 a.m., St. Athanasius and St. John's, Rumford; Saturday Mass 4 p.m., St. Athanasius and St. John's, Rumford; Saturday Mass 6 p.m., Our Lady of the Snows, Bethel; Sunday Mass 9:30 a.m., St. Athanasius and St. John's, Rumford.
Praise Assembly of God - Pastor Justin Thacker. 89 Congress St. Adult and teen Sunday school 9 a.m. Sunday worship service at 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Wednesday night Bible study 6:45 p.m. FMI: 364-3556.

RUMFORD POINT

Rumford Point Church - Sunday service, 8:30 a.m., followed by coffee and refreshments.

SUMNER

East Sumner Congregational - Linda Kimball, pastor. Sunday service, 9 a.m. 207-388-2610.

WEST PARIS

First Universalist Church - 208 Main St., W. Paris. 9 a.m. services September to June. FMI: Bob Clifford 674-3442.
West Paris Baptist - 15 Church St. Sunday Worship 9:45 a.m.; Sunday School - 11 a.m.; Word of Life Youth - 6 p.m. Word of Life Olympians (kids club) - 6 p.m. Wednesday, Ladies' Bible Study - Monday, 6:30 p.m. Food pantry for West Paris residents, first and third Tuesdays of month, 1-3 p.m. Pastor Scott Randolph, 376-6854.
Mission Congregational Church - Wallace Far-num, pastor. Sunday Worship 8:30 a.m.

WOODSTOCK

Bryant Pond Baptist - Pastor Matt Jones. Sundays: Sunday School 9:15 a.m.; Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.; Evening Service 6 p.m.; Mid-week Service Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m.
Woodstock Seventh day Adventist - Pastor Greg Carlson 207-527-2551, Saturday: 9:20 a.m. Sabbath school. 11 a.m. worship service.
Pinkhook Meeting House (Rt. 232, North Woodstock) - Hymn Sing, last Friday of each month, 7 p.m. All welcome.
Mahoosuc Mountain Friends - a worship group meeting in the unprogrammed tradition of Friends (Quakers) - Sundays, 9:30 a.m. at the Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond. Newcomers welcome. FMI: 824-8669.

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Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

RIDDLE SEARCH - WORLD CROPS

Look up, down, and diagonally, both forward and backward to find every word on the list. Circle each one as you find it. When all the words are circled, take the UNUSED letters and write them on the blanks below. Go from left to right and top to bottom to find the answer to this riddle: Why should you never tell a secret on a farm?

APPLES
CHICORY
COCONUTS
CUCUMBERS
KALE
LETTUCE
MAIZE
OLIVES
ORANGES
PEARS
PEAS
PEPPERS
RICE
SWISS CHARD
TEA
TOMATOES
YAMS

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C	R	C	U	E	O	R	L	N	R
O	A	H	L	M	V	E	A	I	E
R	E	P	S	E	B	I	C	A	P
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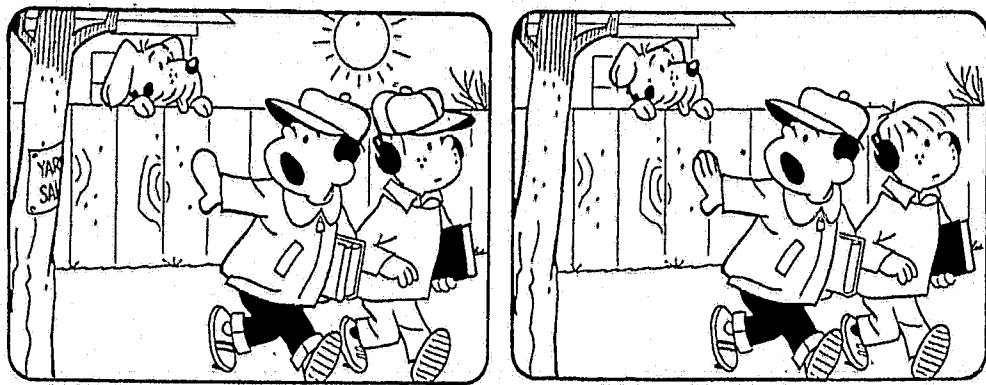
Riddle answer: _____

For more puzzle fun, go to www.brainzles.com

HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences:
1. Sign is missing. 2. Dog's ear is shorter. 3. Mitten is removed.
4. Sun is missing. 5. Book is missing. 6. Cap is missing.

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CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: M equals P

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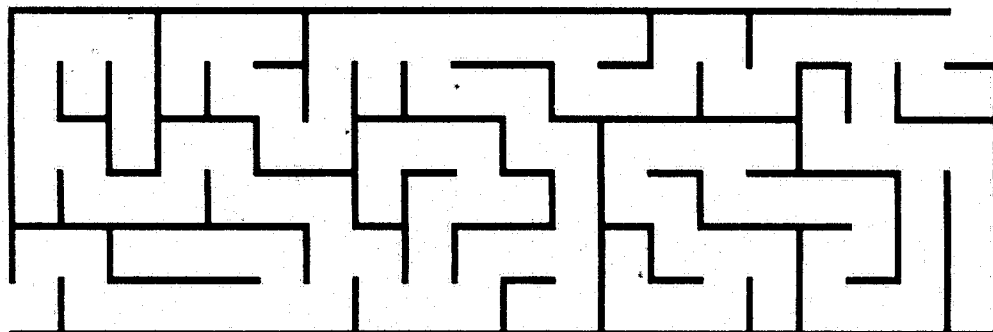
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Kids' Maze



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Super Crossword

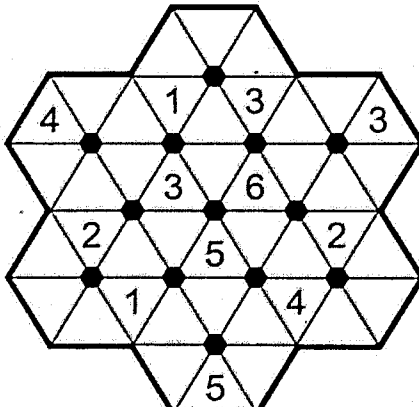
SIX FROM THE FAB FOUR

- ACROSS**
- 1 Approach intrusively
 - 7 Lamenters' sound
 - 11 Process of going bad
 - 19 Attach with heat, as a patch
 - 20 Heart sections
 - 22 When shows are broadcast
 - 23 Butler or maid
 - 25 Fish also called a largemouth
 - 26 Mop
 - 27 At that point
 - 28 CNN anchor
 - 30 China's Mao
 - 31 1960s reform movement in China
 - 38 "Sid the Science Kid" network
 - 41 Tracker maker, once
 - 42 Convert to the Koran's religion
 - 43 Chevy model
 - 45 Suffix with towel
 - 48 Korean, Thai or Chinese
 - 52 Precipitating heavily
 - 57 Big Apple sch.
 - 58 Off-white
 - 59 March composer John Philip
 - 60 Cease
 - 61 Lives (in)
 - 63 It lures fish
 - 65 Loss of memory
 - 67 Posed (for)
 - 68 "Stop thinking of me as so naive"
 - 74 "— recall ..."
 - 75 Headlined
 - 76 Dying words from Caesar
 - 77 Inflicts upon
 - 79 Honshu sash
 - 80 Small piece
 - 83 Ad biz prize
 - 87 Collaborator
 - 88 Person in the third decade of life
 - 91 Frantic
 - 94 Correct copy
 - 95 Hitchcock classic
 - 96 Light blue avenue in Monopoly
 - 100 Neat — pin
 - 101 Announcer
 - 102 American flier with scarf
 - 109 Special time
 - 110 Tabula —
 - 111 Postal letters
 - 112 Get in return
 - 116 Person petting
 - 120 What the last words of 23- are
 - 124 Unusual
 - 125 1983
 - 126 Holy rings
 - 127 Property of a magnet
 - 128 Solar output
 - 129 Fully ready
 - DOWN**
 - 1 Bails out, e.g.
 - 2 Brag loudly
 - 3 Unconscious state
 - 4 Final non-A.D. year
 - 5 "Mayday"
 - 6 Blast source
 - 7 — Picchu (Peruvian site of Incan ruins)
 - 8 Alternative
 - 9 Game venue
 - 10 Zip
 - 11 Mouth liquid
 - 12 Billy Joel hit
 - 13 Planet Mork came from
 - 14 Suffix with social
 - 15 Ad —
 - 16 Rare violin
 - 17 Undercoat for painting on wood
 - 18 West German city
 - 21 People who mimic
 - 24 "What's — ya?"
 - 29 Brother or aunt: Abbr.
 - 32 Tangelo trademark
 - 33 Tills one's body toward
 - 34 Bank claim
 - 35 Fleur-de- —
 - 36 Israeli arm
 - 37 Poke fun at
 - 38 Conduit
 - 39 Coll. hotshot
 - 40 Motivate
 - 44 Island near Venezuela
 - 45 College Web site suffix
 - 46 Set — (sharp fights)
 - 47 Old United rival
 - 49 Oklahoma oil city
 - 50 Mosaic work
 - 51 Certain skin bulge
 - 53 "You — see this!"
 - 54 — Martin (cognac)
 - 55 British queen
 - 56 "Beware the — of March!"
 - 61 Coke Zero alternative
 - 62 Witch's blamish
 - 64 Secy., e.g.
 - 65 Moreover
 - 66 Vapor
 - 68 Land in water, in Italy
 - 69 Use, as a tool
 - 70 Sweat of one's —
 - 71 "Kill — killed!"
 - 72 Hold in check
 - 73 Small state ruled by a sovereign
 - 74 Actor Max von —
 - 80 Rocker Barrett
 - 81 CBS drama
 - 82 Turn rancid
 - 84 Pet parasites
 - 85 With a sharp picture, for short
 - 86 Hymn start
 - 88 Epithet for Alexander
 - 89 Be a ratink
 - 90 Alexis I, e.g.
 - 92 Jackie's hubby #2
 - 93 Offense
 - 97 Almost
 - 98 Six-pl. plays
 - 99 Cry like —
 - 100 Amply skilled
 - 102 Rounddown
 - 103 Bards' Muse
 - 104 Singer Hall
 - 105 Oven maker
 - 106 Spiteful
 - 107 Passes idly, as time
 - 108 Dryly funny
 - 113 Slaughter of baseball
 - 114 James with a Pulitzer
 - 115 Discreet call
 - 117 MPG monitor
 - 118 Chaplin's title
 - 119 —- flick
 - 121 Always, poetically
 - 122 Oldies group — Na Na
 - 123 "Tonka" star

SNOWFLAKES

by Japheth Light

There are 13 black hexagons in the puzzle. Place the numbers 1 - 6 around each of them. No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle.



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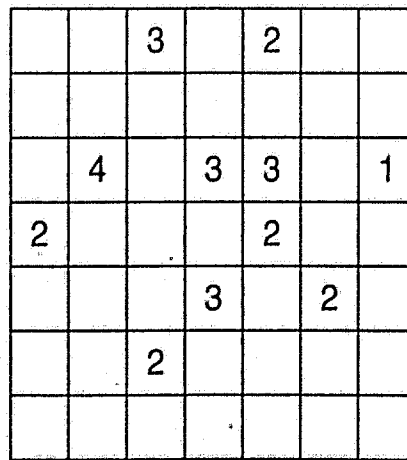
◆ Easy ◆◆ Medium ◆◆◆ Difficult

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Star★Map

By Linda Thistle

Draw a star in exactly 10 of the empty squares in the diagram below so that each numbered square accurately indicates how many immediately adjacent squares (horizontally, vertically or diagonally) contain a star.



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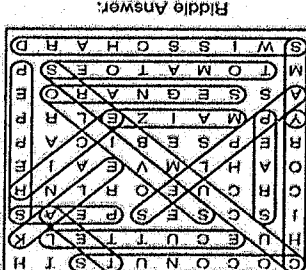
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Kids' Maze Solution

If the puppet Howdy Doodly were to head across Functello, would a marionette marry Annette?

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The com has ears.



Answers

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Prime Time Ski Club news

One of the perks of belonging to the Prime Time Ski Club is the special events that are held throughout the year. Recently a local ski shop offered a free ski demo day for Prime Time members and about 15 people took advantage of this opportunity to try out the latest technology. There's a ton of new skis hitting the slopes this winter, all aimed at improving the on-snow experience. Easier turn initiation and more maneuverability mean that you will expend less energy when skiing, minimize fatigue and enhance performance. All this translates into longer days on the slopes and additional years of skiing.

There are a lot of great skis out there, the problem

is finding the right one for your skiing style. SKI magazine's 2015 Buyers Guide is a good start. Skis are divided into categories for men and women as well as the type of snow conditions you expect to ski on most of the time, such as "mixed snow east" or "groomed snow" if you ski in New England. Within these broad categories, skis are rated on eight categories such as crud performance, floatation, rebound energy and forgiveness.

However, the best way to find the ski of your dreams is to try out several models before buying. You don't have to know why a ski performs a certain way. It's more important for you to feel how it performs and how it affects your skiing. If you're not

lucky enough to be a Prime Time member, there are ski shops that offer demo programs where the cost of trying out several pairs of skis can be applied to the cost of a ski purchase. Most ski shops recommend you narrow down your choice to three skis. Ski on them and compare. If you find a ski you really don't enjoy, eliminate it immediately and maybe select another pair to try. If it comes down to choosing between two skis, ask a friend to watch you ski and see which pair brings out the best in your skiing.

Once you have the perfect ski, you'll probably want someone to ski with. That's where Prime Time Ski Club comes in. The club boasts a membership of more than

125 skiers and non-skiing spouses or partners, ranging in age from 50 to 80 plus. Anyone looking for someone to ski with on any weekday should show up at North Peak Lodge at 10 a.m. (upper level, right hand side past the bar). After a brief time for announcements, members usually break into small groups of four to eight skiers, based mostly on skiing ability and speed and terrain preference.

For Prime Time Ski Club membership information and a schedule of activities check out our web site at www.primetimeskiclub.com or stop by Peak Lodge any non-holiday weekday at 10 a.m. and join us for a few runs. We hope to see you soon.

Backyard series: This is your neighborhood wind farm

The Mahoosuc Land Trust continues its 2015 Speaker Series, "This Is Your Backyard," with a presentation entitled, "This Is Your Neighborhood Wind Farm." The event will be held at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 11, in Gould Academy's McLaughlin Auditorium. Mike Novello, Renewable Energy Analyst, and Gordon Gamble, Director of Community Relations, will present an introduction to the Record Hill Wind Farm located in Roxbury, Maine. From construction through current operations, they will share their experiences regarding wind power development and the success of the Record Hill Wind Farm.

This event is timed to coincide with the Andover Snowmobile Club's ride to the wind farm, which will take place on Sunday, Feb. 15. For more information regarding that ride, please contact Richard Merrill, Snow Valley Snowgoers Snowmobile Club President at 207-392-3481.

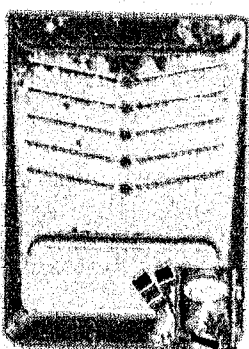
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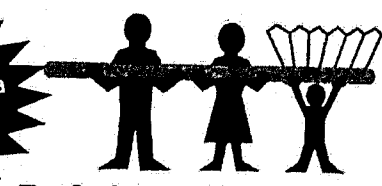
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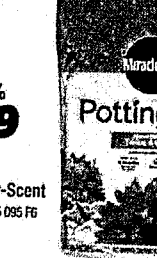
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

WHEREAS, on November 6, 2014, a Judgment of Foreclosure and Order of Sale was entered by the District Court, District Eleven, Division of Northern Oxford, in an action entitled *The Summit Condominium Owners Association v. Timeshare Management Services, L.L.C., d/b/a Club Select Resorts*, under Docket No. RUM-RE-14-52, for the foreclosure of condominium association fees due from the said Timeshare Management Services, L.L.C. d/b/a Club Select Resorts to The Summit Condominium Owners Association, a copy of said Judgment being duly recorded in the Oxford County Registry of Deeds, and,

WHEREAS, the statutory ninety (90) day redemption period having elapsed without redemption by the said Defendant its successors or assigns, by the date of the proposed sale;

NOW, THEREFORE, by order of and in execution of said Judgment of Foreclosure and Order of Sale, notice is hereby given that there will be sold at public sale at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, March 9, 2015, at the office of John S. Jenness, Jr., Esq., at 23 Market Square, South Paris, Maine, all and singular the premises described in said Judgment, to wit:

Certain real estate located in the Town of Newry, County of Oxford and State of Maine, more particularly described as follows:

Unit No. 314 Time Share Unit Quarter III in Building I of Phase I in The Summit at Sunday River. A Condominium, located in the Town of Newry, County of Oxford and State of Maine, a condominium established by Sunday River Skiway Corporation pursuant to the Maine Condominium Act and by Declaration of Condominium dated December 14, 1992, and recorded in the Oxford County Registry of Deeds, Eastern District, in Book 1965, Page 187 (which Declaration, together with the Exhibits and/or appendices thereto, and any amendments, is herein termed "Declaration" and to which reference is hereby made), which said unit is shown on the floor plans of the building identified above recorded simultaneously with said Declaration in said Registry of Deeds. Reference is also made to survey plan, by Dana C. Douglass, Jr., R.S., likewise recorded simultaneously with said Declaration in said Registry.

Being precisely the same premises conveyed to Club Select Resorts [a "Missouri Domestic Fictitious Registration" wholly owned and operated by Timeshare Management Services, L.L.C.], by Quitclaim Deed of Carl W. Standley, et al., dated June 8, 2012, which is recorded in the Oxford County Registry of Deeds in Book 4972, Page 33, and entitled and subject to all benefits and restrictions as described therein.

TERMS OF SALE: Pursuant to Title 14 M.R.S.A. §6323, the public sale shall be held not less than thirty (30) days nor more than forty-five (45) days after the first date of publication of this Notice. The Association shall sell the premises to the highest bidder at the public sale and deliver a deed of such sale to the purchaser, which deed shall convey the premises free and clear of all interest of the parties-in-interest joined in the action. The Association or any other party-in-interest may bid at the public sale. All bids are to be supported by 10% deposit, except for banks. All deposits are to be made either in cash or by certified check at the time of bidding. Closing on the sale shall occur within thirty (30) days of the date of the sale. All other terms are to be announced at the sale or may be obtained by contacting the Association at its place of business in Newry, Maine, or the undersigned attorney for the Association.

DATED AT PARIS, MAINE, this 21st day of January, 2015.
THE SUMMIT CONDOMINIUM OWNERS ASSOCIATION
By: John S. Jenness, Jr.
Its Attorney
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

WHEREAS, on October 14, 2014, a Judgment of Foreclosure and Order of Sale was entered by the District Court, District Eleven, Division of Northern Oxford, in an action entitled *The Summit Condominium Owners Association v. Thomas A. Mann*, under Docket No. RUM-RE-14-41, for the foreclosure of condominium association fees due from the said Thomas A. Mann to The Summit Condominium Owners Association, a copy of said Judgment being duly recorded in the Oxford County Registry of Deeds, and,

WHEREAS, the statutory ninety (90) day redemption period has elapsed without redemption by the said Defendant, his successors or assigns;

NOW, THEREFORE, by order of and in execution of said Judgment of Foreclosure and Order of Sale, notice is hereby given that there will be sold at public sale at 10:15 a.m. on Friday, February 27, 2015, at the office of John S. Jenness, Jr., Esq., at 23 Market Square, South Paris, Maine, all and singular the premises described in said Judgment, to wit:

Certain real estate located in the Town of Newry, County of Oxford and State of Maine, more particularly described as follows:

Unit No. 105 Time Share Unit Quarter I in Building I of Phase I in The Summit at Sunday River. A Condominium, located in the Town of Newry, County of Oxford and State of Maine, a condominium established by Sunday River Skiway Corporation pursuant to the Maine Condominium Act and by Declaration of Condominium dated December 14, 1992, and recorded in the Oxford County Registry of Deeds, Eastern District, in Book 1965, Page 187 (which Declaration, together with the Exhibits and/or appendices thereto, and any amendments, is herein termed "Declaration" and to which reference is hereby made), which said unit is shown on the floor plans of the building identified above recorded simultaneously with said Declaration in said Registry of Deeds. Reference is also made to survey plan, by Dana C. Douglass, Jr., R.S., likewise recorded simultaneously with said Declaration in said Registry.

Being precisely the same premises conveyed to Thomas A. Mann by Warranty Deed of Sunday River Skiway Corporation dated November 29, 1994, which is recorded in the Oxford County Registry of Deeds in Book 2182, Page 109, and entitled and subject to all benefits and restrictions as described therein.

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DATED AT PARIS, MAINE, this 14th day of January, 2015.
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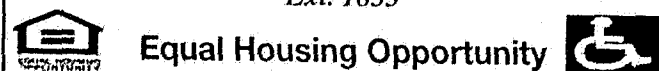
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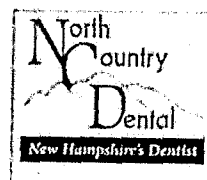
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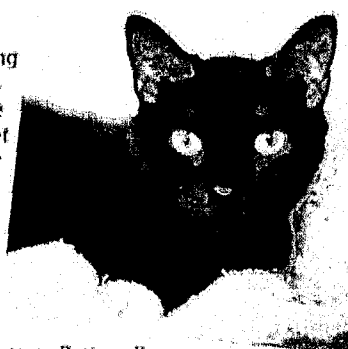
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Obituaries



JAMES P. ZINCHUK

James P. Zinchuk, 59, of Oxford died Wednesday, Jan. 21 at the Hospice House. He was born in East Brunswick, N.J. on March 13, 1955 the son of Peter and Thelma M. Barrett Zinchuk. He graduated from high school in New Jersey and attended trade school in Vermont. He married Roberta Brown on June 22, 1992. He had been employed as a painter in the finishing department at Keiser Industries. He enjoyed painting, wallcovering, working with leather and fishing. He is survived by his

wife Roberta of Oxford; his father Peter and wife Anne on Spotswood, N.J.; his sisters, Anne Mallory and husband Allen of West Paris and Sharon Walsh and husband Donald of Wilmington, N.C.; a brother, Douglas and wife Robin of Bethel; and nephews Jacob Mallory, Daniel B., Brian, Kevin and Matthew Zinchuk. He was predeceased by his mother. Online condolences may be shared with his family at www.chandlerfunerals.com

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, Jan. 31 at 2 p.m. at Chandler Funeral Homes & Cremation Service, 45 Main Street, South Paris. Family and friends may attend a time of visitation from 1 to 2 p.m. prior to the service. Interment will be in the spring at Craigie Cemetery in Oxford. Donations in his memory may be made to Androscoggin Home Care and Hospice, Hospice House, 236 Stetson Road, Auburn, Maine 04210 or to a substance abuse program.

Grants available to Oxford County nonprofits

Nonprofit and public organizations seeking funding for projects that draw on the strengths of the community and foster collaboration are encouraged to apply to the Oxford County Fund, part of the Maine Community Foundation's Community Building Grant Program.

A volunteer committee of Oxford County residents and business leaders reviews grants and makes recommendations for funding. The deadline for applying is Feb. 15, 2015. Application

and guidelines are available at www.maine.org.

\$7,000 to Oxford Hills Food & Nutrition Exchange, to promote local agriculture and skills through Community Roots at the Oxford County Fair.

With offices in Ellsworth and Portland, the Maine Community Foundation works with donors and other partners to improve the quality of life for all Maine people. To learn more about the foundation, visit www.maine.org.



FROM ALBANY'S PAST-This photo from the Bethel Historical Society, taken about 1905, shows the Elliott and Bartlett spool mill in Albany. It was located beside the Crooked River in Lynchville, across from the international sign.

New books at Norway Library

Christmas at Twilight.

Nonfiction

Zamperini, Louis - Don't Give Up, Don't Give In: Lessons from an Extraordinary Life; Chopra, Deepak - The Future of God: A Practical Approach to Spirituality for Our Times; Choquette, Sonia - Walking Home: A Pilgrimage from Humbled to Healed; Lamott, Anne - Small Victories: Spotting Improbable Moments of Grace; Couch, Dick - Navy SEALs: Their Untold Story; Gawande, Atul - Being Mortal: Medicine and What Matters in the End; Creighton, Allan - Helping Teens Stop Violence, Build Community and Stand for Justice; Smith, Joanne Huist - The 13th Gift: A True Story of a Christmas Miracle; Ferber, Richard - Solve Your Child's Sleep Problems; Pantley, Elizabeth - The No-Cry Sleep Solution: Gentle Ways to Help Your Baby Sleep Through the Night; Vigil, Jerry - Day of the Dead Crafts: More than 24 Projects that Celebrate Dia de Los Muertos and The Story I Want to Tell; Daum, Meghan - The Unspeakable and Other Discussions; Dunham, Lena - Not That Kind of Girl; Johnson, Marilyn - Lives in Ruins: Archaeologist and the Seductive Lure

of Human Rabble; Bolger, Daniel P. - Why We Lost A General Inside Account of the Iraq and Afghanistan Wars.

Biography

Bush, George W. - 41: A Portrait of My Father; Cumming, Alan - Not My

Father's Son: A Memoir; McCandless - The Wild Truth.

Maine Fiction

King, Stephen - Revival.

Maine Nonfiction

Desmond, Jerry R. - Turning the Tide at Gettysburg: How Maine Saved the Union.

Moore Park Art Show 2015

The Paris Parks & Recreation have opened application to the 2015 Moore Park Art show, July 26, 2015.

Artists are invited to apply who work in paintings, drawings, photography, wood, metal and glass sculpture; fine jewelry; handmade prints; fiber and textile/fiber arts and more. All art work must be the original design and creation of the exhibitor. Booths are limited. Artists also have the opportunity to submit work for awards judging. There will also be a limited number of craft booths under a tent for more traditional crafts.

Over \$600 in ribbons will be awarded to several artists representing painting, photography and crafts in an optional judged competition.

The event is presented by the Town of Paris, Parks and Recreation Department and the Mahoosuc Arts Council.

12 x12-foot booths are \$65 for a single exhibitor. Shared booths are \$40 for each artist, up to four in a booth. Student booth fees are \$40 per booth, or \$25 each for a shared booth. Applications must be received by July 1 for inclusion in the Moore Park Art Program. Community groups are welcome to participate for \$30. Food vendor spots are \$75. Food vendors must provide proof of insurance with application.

FMI: Visit www.mooreparkartshow.biz or contact Director Aranka Matolcsy at 207-890-6386 or mooreparkart@gmail.com.



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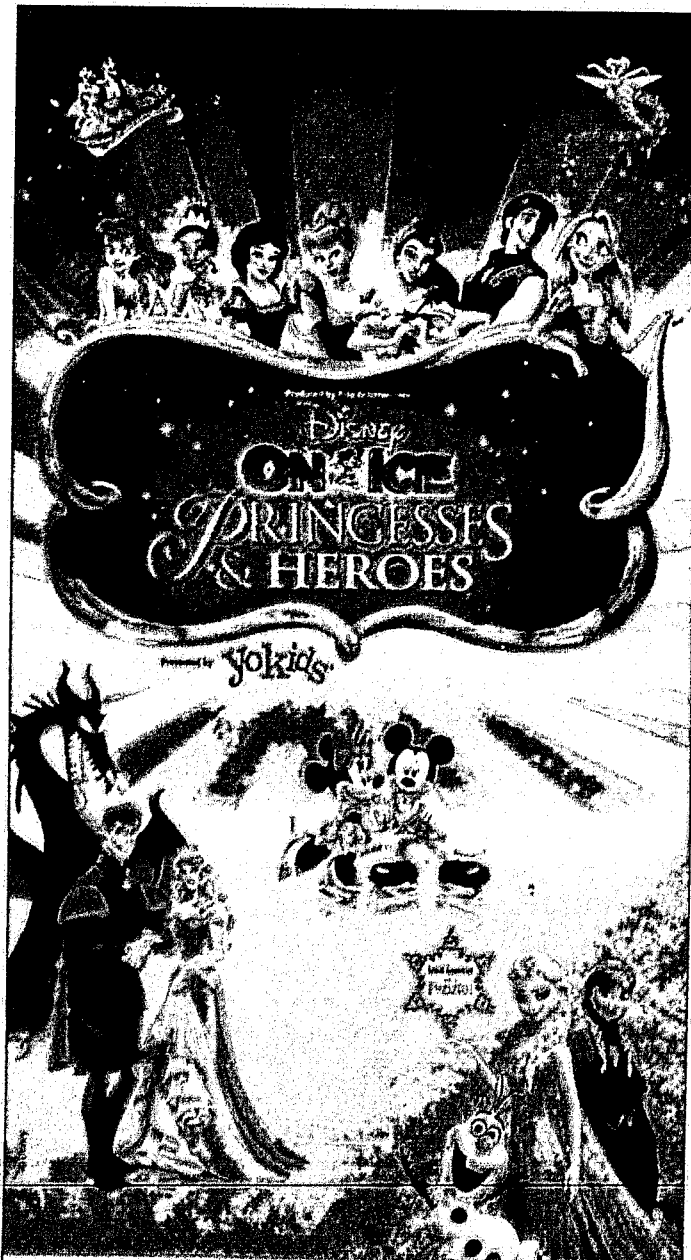
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